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## Seven-year sentences after £1m cash raids

TWO criminals from Walsall who were part of a gang that smashed into cash machines, stealing almost £700,000, and believed they were "untouchable", were this week put behind bars.

The gang used circular saws to target cash machines at 32 Co-op stores during a 14-month crime spree in the Midlands, Lincoln, Devon and Kent.

Noel Reilly, of Birchills, and David Holmes, of Walsall, were both jailed for seven years for their involvement in the raids at Birmingham Crown Court on Monday.

The masked gang stole high-powered cars from driveways and used them in the raids.

### Minutes

A cash machine at Park Hall was among the targets.

West Midlands Police Inspector Warren Hines, whose team took over the inquiry in May last year, said: "These offences were clearly well-rehearsed and, in some cases, committed very efficiently in just a matter of minutes."

"It's estimated the full toll of their exploits, taking into account the cash and cars stolen plus the damage to ATM machines, approached almost £1 million."

Insp Hines added: "They thought they were untouchable and we proved them wrong."

## Charity walk by starlight

WOMEN from across Walsall are being invited to join the Starlight Walk setting off from Aldridge Community centre on Saturday.

The seven and a half mile fancy dress walk in aid of St Giles Walsall Hospice starts from the community centre in Middlemore Lane at 8pm.

Entry is £15 and all walkers must be aged 16 or over to enter. Organisers are urging people to book their place by contacting (01922) 602528, or emailing walsallfundraising@stgiles-hospice.org.uk

# PLAN FOR NEW COUNTRY PARK

Report by Lisa O'Brien

A LAND train and wildflower meadow is planned for the transformation of a municipal golf course into a country park near Walsall town centre.

The Grange at the Walsall Arboretum Extension is to be given a major overhaul. The revamp could include picnic areas, the planting of more trees and redeveloping of the conservation pool. Members of the Arboretum User Group have spoken of "ambitious" plans to transform the former nine-hole course, which was closed by council chiefs in January 2010 due to budget cuts. Further improvements are planned to upgrade the King George VI Avenue entrance, including to fencing and pathways, and a £10,000 funding bid has been submitted to the local neighbourhood management area.

Jo Lester, chairman of the arboretum user group, said: "As the country park develops, that entrance will become more significant."

### Funding

She said it was intended for the country park to link in with other green spaces in the borough.

Funding is currently being sought for the scheme and no timescale has been set for the plans.

Project organiser Jackie Cocken said a land train could act as a way of transporting visitors around the park.

She added: "We are trying to provide something for everyone."

"It is a much-loved park. People come from all over the country to the arboretum. It's got something for every generation."

The group also worked with Green Spaces to secure a £50,000 grant from the Big Lottery Fund to recently open a gallery garden, which is still being developed.

The group says the new facility is being well used as a space for local artists, photographers, schools and community groups to show their creative works.

Other major projects the group has been involved with include the creation of a woodland wildlife learning garden, the planting of more than 7,000 tree seedlings and a community orchard containing over 400 fruit trees and bushes.

The group, which has 13 committee members and was formed in 1998, is appealing for more volunteers to help with future projects at Walsall's premier park.

For more information call the group on (01922) 627354.

## Steel firm expansion jobs hope

THE expansion of a steel pipe fittings firm in Walsall, which will create jobs and see the base nearly double in size, has moved closer to after proposals were recommended for approval when councillors meet today (Thursday).

Promat BD wants to extend its warehouse and create a new office block under plans for its base at Walsall Enterprise Park.

The current 36-strong workforce would increase as part of the proposals, which are expected to go ahead next year if agreed by Walsall Council.

### Positive

Members of the planning committee are being recommended to grant permission for the expansion of the business when they meet today.

Promat BD design, manufacture and supply a range of precision forged steel products. No objections have been lodged to the plans, which include a new laboratory, extended sales office and 25 new parking spaces.

Head of planning David Elsworthy said: "The development would have a positive impact on the continued viability of the estate."

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## Town lock museum to escape fresh cuts

WILLENHALL Lock Museum looks set to be unaffected by cost-saving measures being put in place by its owner, the Black Country Living Museum.

Campaigners for the museum in New Road welcomed the news this week.

It comes after it was revealed the Black Country Living Museum could be forced to shed up to 70 jobs after suffering its "most appalling summer" for visitor numbers.

The attraction in Dudley will also be forced to close two days a week in the winter due to funding cuts.

A spokeswoman for the Black Country Living Museum revealed the grade-II listed Locksmith's House is not expected to be affected.

### Impact

The Lock Museum, known as the Locksmith's House, is already only open to pre-booked group visits.

Fiona Carding said: "It is very unlikely there will be any impact upon the Locksmith's House at all."

News of funding cuts at the Black Country Living Museum had sparked fears there may be further changes there.

Willohill South councillor Carl Creaney said: "It is good to hear the Locksmith's House is not likely to be affected."

## Residents get compensation

RESIDENTS at an accommodation block in Darlaston are being reimbursed £300 because facilities were not ready before they moved in.

A communal room and lift at Butcroft House are not expected to be fully completed until next month.

Residents at the Walsall Housing Group flats have been forced to wait for some of the services which they are billed up to £726 a year for.

Bosses at the housing group said residents had been informed not everything would be completed until the end of October.

## Midnight trek helps hospice



Bloxwich duo Jane Bateman and Anna Rose pictured at the Acorns Midnight Walk to help local hospices

A DEDICATED pair of fundraisers from Bloxwich joined hundreds of other ladies on Saturday to raise money for Acorns Hospice in a Midnight Walk.

Jane Bateman and Anna Rose were part of the event in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter which saw more than 600 women dressed in a selection of wacky outfits cover the 10 kilometres of the city's streets by night in aid of the three hospices, including one in Walsall.

The charity provides care and support for more than 870 families with terminally ill children or who have lost a child.

One of the walkers, Kali Lewis from Tettenhall, received help from the charity before and after the death of her godson. She said: "Acorns supported him to his very last day."

"Acorns have been amazing. We meet lots of other families in a similar position."

The event was marshalled by a dedicated team of male volunteers who ensured everyone got round safely along with a team of physiotherapists who massaged the walkers' aching legs.

Free Radio presenter Russ Morris announced the grand total of £45,000 raised by the participants.

Acorns events officer Philippa Gay said: "We are so pleased that we had such a great turn out which made for an incredible atmosphere on the night. We're grateful to everyone involved and to all the ladies who walked and helped to raise such a fantastic amount."

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## Work starts on next phase of park revamp

WORK has started on the next phase of the £300,000 revamp of Darlaston park.

Contractors are forging ahead with improvements at George Rose Park, as a £160,000 package of work is carried out.

New paths will be created, a notice board, bins and benches installed

and a horticultural area set up to house scores of bulbs come spring.

It is scheduled to finish in late November and youngsters can continue to use the play area, skate ramp and courts during the work.

The work is funded through council cash from the development of Darlaston Grace Academy's new

£27 million building, which will swallow up more than half of the park.

The improvements are being carried out in two stages to make sure the children's play area can be accessed throughout. Workers from contractors Jack Moody Ltd will be on site between 8am and 5pm.

Councillor Paul Bott, chairman of the Friends of Darlaston South Parks, said: "This is a badly needed investment."

"The Friends group is working together with the council to help bring improvements to the park, which has been neglected over the years."

# Hotspot cameras reduce fly-tipping

THE number of cases of fly-tipping in Walsall has dropped by more than 30 per cent this summer compared to the same period last year.

There were 387 reports to Walsall Council between June, July and August against 561 the year before.

Walsall Council chiefs have taken steps to crackdown on fly-tipping across the borough which has seen covert cameras brought in to catch culprits dumping their belongings.

Figures showed there were 206 reports in June 2011, 177 in the July and 178 in the August. But this year there were 121 in June, 141 in July and 125 in August.

Bosses have vowed to continue the fight against fly-tippers and condemned those who dump rubbish causing a clean-up bill of more than £200,000 a year.

Councillor Tom Ansell, who is cabinet for responsible for environment and transport, said: "Fly-tipping is a constant problem and can be a blight on the borough. It also costs money to clear up after people.

### Offence

"As a council we are working hard in our efforts to ensure fly-tippers do not ruin our borough with their thoughtless actions.

"Make no mistake this is a very serious offence. Fly-tipping costs the council almost £250,000 a year to clean up.

"People who dump their rubbish in this unlawful way are selfish, pure and simple. Their actions deprive our hard-working communities of money."

Hotspots have included Goscote Lodge Crescent in Goscote, Shakespeare Crescent, in Haden and Chaucer Road, in Bloxwich.

The council purchased six undercover cameras as part of its on-going war against fly-tipping last autumn.

Efforts to tackle the problem of empty shops in Walsall involve the launch of a £100,000 scheme to provide business rate relief for businesses moving in.

The Local Data Company report claims only Nottingham has a higher number of empty shops than Walsall.

## Right royal launch at school



The Queen, actually Mary Reynolds from Harrow, re-opens Woodlands School as Woodlands Learning Academy, joined by head teacher Jane Arnestine, chairman of governors Roger Butt, pupils Archie Corcoran and Morgan Nijjar, both aged 10

PUPILS were given a right royal welcome to their renamed school when it was officially opened by the Queen – aka lookalike Mary Reynolds.

Woodlands Academy of Learning, in Bloxwich Road North, Willenhall, previously known as Woodlands Primary, opened its doors for the first time.

Mrs Reynolds gave a speech in a special assembly before the school's 420 pupils enjoyed a fish and chip lunch. Each pupil then released a balloon in the school's colours and received a new school tie.

Headteacher Jane Arnestine said the youngsters couldn't believe their eyes when the 'Queen' made her surprise visit. "Their eyes opened up like saucers – they were completely shocked," she added.

## Driver who sped away from police car is jailed

A DISQUALIFIED driver from Willenhall who reached 70mph in a 30mph limit as he tried to lose a police car has been jailed for 10 months.

Rashane Henry, aged 21, of Vernon Close, was pulled over by police after jumping a red light, Wolverhampton Crown Court heard. But he then did a U-turn and accelerated away.

During the police pursuit, he drove across a roundabout and through two more sets of lights on red.

Ran

The court heard he then drove on to the Ikea car park at Wednesbury and ran off with his two passengers.

Henry handed himself to police 30 minutes later.

He admitted driving dangerously while disqualified. He also admitted driving without insurance and breaching a six-month jail term, suspended for two years, for assaulting a police officer and perverting the course of justice.

Mr David Payne, mitigating, said Henry handed himself in as soon as he realised the gravity of his actions.

Judge Martin Walsh told Henry that he had put lives at risk.

Henry was given six months for the motoring offences and four months for breaching his suspended sentence.

## Moon dream art preview

A SPECIAL preview show will be held for a forthcoming exhibition at Walsall's New Art Gallery.

Work by artist Fiona Rae, entitled *Maybe You Can Live on the Moon in the Next Century*, will be on show at the Gallery Square venue from Saturday, October 6, to December 30.

A preview event will be held prior to the display's launch on Friday, October 5, from 6pm to 9pm.

To book a free place call (01922) 654400.

## Doveside ramble

THE Walsall group of Ramblers will be taking in a seven mile stroll in Derbyshire this weekend. The walk through fields at Alstonefield and along the River Dove will take place on Sunday. It is described as an easy walk with one hill.

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## Memorial scheme is under way

A SCHEME restoring all of Walsall's war memorials began this week with work on the £50,000 revamp of Moxley's monument.

Campaigners welcomed the revamp, which will see the flagpole repaired, new plaques installed and the memorial being illuminated.

All of the borough's war memorials will be restored over the next few years and steps will be taken to make them harder for metal thieves to attack.

Moxley War Memorial, Queen Street, will get new plaques listing the people who died in war from the town.

Councillor Paul Bott, Independent councillor for Darlaston South, said: "Moxley War Memorial was in a terrible state so it will be great to see work being done. It is especially poignant as 2014 will be 100 years since the start of the First World War."

The time frame for the rest of the work is yet to be drawn up by the council.

In Moxley, residents have helped choose the design of the new brickwork, fencing, gates, railings and benches.

Emblems of poppies will be added to the gates and fencing. The emblem for Moxley will also be put at on the memorial.

## Shire Oak get school award

THE geography department at a Walsall school has been given a prestigious national award for excellence in teaching.

Shire Oak Academy is one of only 200 schools in the country to win the award.

The school's geography department has been awarded the secondary geography quality mark, which rewards only the highest quality of geography teaching across the country.

It is the first school in Walsall to receive the accolade. Any school that gains the award has to undergo a rigorous moderation process by inspectors.

The academy will now have the quality mark for geography for three years.

## Road to close

ALDRIDGE High Street is to close for a week for resurfacing work to take place.

Businesses will remain open as normal during the work.

Work will be carried out between 7pm and 6am from Monday until Friday.

## Banned skin cream sold 'under the counter'

A SHOPKEEPER from Walsall has been fined £20,000 and given a suspended prison sentence for selling hundreds of tubs of banned skin cream.

Mohammed Rashid, who was neither a doctor nor qualified pharmacist, sold Super Soraderm at M&T Supermarket in Caldmore Road, Walsall. Despite being told it contained potentially harmful steroids, Rashid continued to sell the product, often used to treat children with skin problems.

He imported the cream from Pakistan and sold around 50 pots of it a month "under the counter" at £12.99 a time.

### Investigation

Prosecutor John Evans told Wolverhampton Crown Court last week that Super Soraderm had a string of side effects and should only be used sparingly after being prescribed by doctors.

Experts launched an investigation when two children became ill after being treated

with Super Soraderm. Neither was definitely linked to 54-year-old Rashid's store but investigators later bought a tub of the cream from the M&T Supermarket he ran with his brother in 2010.

Mr Evans said: "When 'Super Soraderm' was written on a piece of paper and shown to a member of staff, he reached under the counter and handed over a small box containing a tub of the cream."

M&T Supermarket Ltd pleaded guilty to

selling the product on May 29, 2010, and possessing 54 boxes of it with intent to supply on June 24 of that year. He was fined £20,000.

Rashid, the store's sole director, from Dams Road, admitted the same offences through "consent, connivance or neglect" and was given a nine-month prison sentence suspended for two years with 200 hours unpaid work. He and the firm were told to pay the £6,994 costs of the case.

# Shelter vandals cost taxpayers thousands

**THUGS smashed up 240 bus shelters in Walsall in just 12 months, costing taxpayers more than £15,000 to repair or replace them.**

Across the Black Country, almost 1,000 bus shelters were vandalised at a cost of nearly £60,000.

New figures reveal that 928 of the 5,004 shelters in Walsall, Wolverhampton, Sandwell and Dudley have been targeted by vandals between the end of March 2011 and the beginning of April this year.

by Shaun Jepson

Transport authority Centro said CCTV cameras had helped reduce the number of offences but the issue remained a big problem.

Bosses are looking at installing anti-vandal panels made of perforated steel to prevent glass being smashed by thugs.

### Culprits

Figures show 240 shelters were damaged in Walsall, costing taxpayers £15,162.

A total of 182 shelters were damaged in Wolverhampton, 276 in Sandwell and 230 in Dudley. It cost £58,567 to repair them all.

Centro spokesman Steve Swinger said: "Vandalism of bus shelters has fallen by

nearly 80 per cent since we started installing CCTV cameras in 2008. Footage captured by the cameras is also regularly used to identify and prosecute culprits.

"The cameras have been hugely successful in curbing this criminal damage yet taxpayers are still having to fork out more than £155,000 a year across the West Midlands because a minority of individuals continue to attack facilities, which are provided for the comfort and convenience of the wider community.

"As such we are working on a number of other initiatives such as anti-vandal panels."

## Police called to match fight

POLICE were called when fighting broke out between players of two Sunday football teams, leaving one man with facial injuries.

Two players started fighting during the Wolverhampton Charity Cup game between New Invention Wanderers FC and Lanesfield Old Boys FC.

Police said they attended King George Playing Fields, in Amos Lane, Wednesfield, at about 12.05pm on Sunday.

A 24-year-old, believed to be from Wolverhampton & District Division Two team New Invention, was taken to New Cross Hospital with minor wounds. No arrests were made. No-one from either club was available for comment.

Earlier this month, two football teams charged with failing to control their players after a mass brawl were forced to quit the league.

That Warey Premier 1 league match between Tipton's Plymire Rangers and Oldbury's Himley Hawks had to be abandoned when trouble flared in Victoria Park, Tipton.

## Connie sees stars in USA



Streetly's Connie Talbot, aged 11, meets singer Carly Rae Jepson in America

WALSALL songbird Connie Talbot has been meeting some famous faces as she heads to stardom in America.

The 11-year-old headed into the recording studio in America at the start of the summer holiday and bumped into Call Me Maybe singer Carly Rae Jepson.

## Crusher warning over bike menace

POLICE in Bloxwich are seeking information to help fight the menace of off-road bikes that have been plaguing the area.

Quad bikes and motorbikes have sparked complaints including reports of late night noise, bikers riding on pavements and damage to property and land being caused.

Neighbourhood Sergeant Jim Nixon said: "These bikes are causing misery to local residents and businesses. The noise pollution as well as the visible eyesore this criminal behaviour leaves behind is causing considerable upset within the nearby communities.

Police are reminding riders that it is an offence to ride any petrol-driven motorbikes, quad bikes or customised vehicles on or off road without legal requirements of insurance, appropriate licenses and permissions.

Having already seized eight bikes, officers are warning other riders that the could face prosecution and having their bike crushed.

Contacting the neighbourhood policing team on the non-emergency number 101.

## NEWS

### in brief

#### Officers to host open day at HQ

WALSALL police are opening the doors to their headquarters in Green Lane on Sunday in an open day for the public. Last year's event saw around 3,000 at the family day out.

There will be a demonstration from dog handlers and bomb disposal team, a chance to visit the cells and watch a live feed from the police helicopter.

The event will open at 10am with a welcome by the new commander for Walsall, Chief Superintendent David Sturman.

#### Weekend routes for cycling club

WALSALL Cyclists' Touring Club is holding two bike rides this weekend, starting from Pelsall and Aldridge.

A 12-mile ride will start from The Railway Inn, Victoria Road, Pelsall, at 9.30am on Saturday.

Then on Sunday a group will set off on a 55-mile ride from C&G, Anchor Road, Aldridge, at 9.15am.

For more details about riding with the club call (01922) 693167 or 079414 52738.

#### Villa ball will help Paralympian Ryan

TICKETS are available for a 'Glitterball' hosted by the Ryan Cockbill Trust on Saturday, October 13.

Ryan, 22, of Great Barr, took part in target shooting at the 2012 Paralympics. He broke his neck in a swimming accident in 2006, leaving him paralysed from the chest down.

Tickets for the event at Villa Park are £40 and proceeds go to Ryan. Call 07989 612782 to book.

#### Dancers to put skills on the line

A LINE dancing classes is launching at a community centre in Bloxwich today (Thursday).

The weekly afternoon sessions at the Stan Ball Centre, in Abbotts Street, are suitable for beginners. They will run from 2.30pm until 4pm. It costs £3.75 per session.

#### Orchestral concert

WALSALL'S Senior Citizens Orchestra will be performing at the Forest Arts Centre in Leamore on Thursday, October 4.

The concert starts at 2pm and tickets are £1 on the door.

#### A coffee invitation

A MACMILLAN coffee morning is being held at Willenhall Fire Station, Clarkes Lane, on Friday, September 28, from 10am.

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## THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



TONY Blair, rumoured to be eager to re-enter politics, has at last given up colouring his hair. He's still dying for attention.

**FOLLOWING** last week's item on the lack of public trust in accountants, a reader tells me his company accountant is shy and retiring. He's shy of about £250,000 and that's why he's retiring.

OFF to our local food festival when the park was stuffed with stalls selling food to people who are already quite well enough stuffed with food. This obesity "epidemic" gets worse by the day. There are people wandering the streets now who, only a few decades ago, would have been attractions in a travelling circus. The cops were doing the community-policing thing, patrolling the food festival, wandering amiably between the hog roasts and Caribbean cuisine stalls. In a sane world they would be standing at the gates and acting as bouncers to protect the lardars from their own appetites: "Move along, sir. You've had enough."

IT IS a well-known fact that a dropped piece of toast always lands butter-side down. A similar law of nature seems to apply to expanding foam, as used by builders to fill embarrassing gaps around door and window frames. A friend bought a monster-sized aerosol of this unbelievably sticky stuff and managed to knock it off his table. It landed squarely on the press-button and a great squirt of foam shot across the kitchen, expending as it went. This is one of those stories that is always much funnier when it happens to other people.

THE Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams, says the job is too big for one person. He suggests creating a "presidential" role for someone to share the duties. I suspect he has made the fatal error of so many dedicated people, of throwing far too much time at a job. Some folk immerse themselves body and soul in a frenetic 24/7 commitment to the job. Others breeze through it, finding time for golf, the family and plenty of good lunches. If there is a golden rule of employment, it is that the hours you put in are nowhere near as important as what you put into the hours.

THE Archbishop also finds it necessary to apologise for disappointing both conservatives and liberals in the Church. To Rowan Williams, this is a failing. To the rest of us, it looks as though he was getting the balance about right.

JUST back from a break in the Gower Peninsula in south Wales, I wrote a few days ago about drivers being fined for speeding at well-known hot spots in England where they don't realise the speed limit has changed. Whenever you question the authorities about the lack of adequate signing, they tell you the rules are laid down by Whitehall. Yet in the part of Wales we visited every speed-camera sign carries the appropriate speed limit which is repeated in damn great numerals on the road surface with the warning Araf (Slow). The aim seems to be to prevent drivers from speeding in the first place, not to make money from the unwary. If they can do this in one part of the UK, why not in the rest?

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## More security after sewage works raids

SECURITY has been stepped up at a sewage works in Walsall have metal thieves and fly-tippers caused more than £400,000 worth of damage.

Concerns have been raised following a number of theft and vandal attacks at Goscole sewage treatment works. Extra security guards are now on site.

The thefts, along with fly-tipping cases, have caused £400,000 of damage over the past 12 months, a report to the North Walsall Area Partnership revealed.

### Flooding

It is now feared damage to pumps at the sewage works, off Goscole

Lodge Crescent, could lead to flooding.

Grace Marren, of Severn Trent Water, said equipment on site had been stolen or damaged.

"Damage to the pumps at this site could result in sewer flooding for the area," she said.

Much of the surrounding land is

vacant, after homes were demolished to make way for multi-million pound regeneration plans.

Councillor Pete Smith, Democratic Labour member for Blakenall, said he was concerned at the flooding risk. "This could cause a major environmental problem to the area," he said.

## MP critical of bonus culture at the council

BONUS payments to top officers in local government posts have been criticised by a Walsall MP.

It comes after it was revealed bonuses totalling more than £90,000 were paid to some of the highest earning Walsall Council workers in the past two years.

The performance-related bonuses have now been scrapped.

Nine employees, some of whom already earn six-figure sums, were revealed to have received bonuses.

It sparked Walsall North MP David Winnick to call for bonus payments to highly paid officials to end permanently on a national and local scale.

### Routine

He said: "I accept there is a going rate as far as salaries are concerned for such officials and there is no doubt of the very heavy responsibilities involved."

"It is not therefore the salaries that I am critical of as such but the additional bonus payments which have become more frequent and routine in recent years."

Among those to receive bonuses was chief executive Paul Sherrin who got a £10,860 bonus last year and £11,201 the year before on top of his salary of £189,533.

## Golden girl is back home



ELLIE Simmonds relaxing at the family home in Aldridge after her Paralympic success

PARALYMPIC gold medallist Ellie Simmonds is finally having a rest.

"I've spent virtually the whole day in my pyjamas just watching DVDs and being with my friends and family," she said, cup of tea in hand and wrapped in a duvet.

Four years of Sam starts and endless lengths of the pool have paid off for the young swimmer who picked up four medals.

She has now returned to her home town of Aldridge and is enjoying a rest but 17-year-old Ellie said she was already missing the buzz of the Games.

### Support

"I was very tired and had been looking forward to going home for some rest but I'm sad the Games are over now," she said.

Ellie will be much in demand over the coming months, with experts predicting that she could earn more than half-a-million pounds in sponsorship. For now though, the grounded teenager has vowed to "take each day as it comes".

"The support I have had has been amazing from the public and the Press," she said. "It's been great in Aldridge too as this

is my home town. I'm going to visit my post box too and it was nice seeing the stamps, they're nice added bonuses."

The former Aldridge School pupil will be spending the next few weeks fulfilling media and sponsorship commitments.

"Some of the opportunities I'm going to get are amazing," she said.

After her success in Beijing in 2008, when she won two golds, expectations were high for Ellie in London. She did not disappoint, with two gold medals, a silver and a bronze.

"There was quite a lot of pressure and people were expecting me to get medals," she said. "I just dealt with it. When you get there you're in a little bubble and don't really know what's going on outside and what the rest of the world is talking about."

"I had a lot of people around me to help me deal with it all like my family, my coach and the rest of the team."

Ellie said the cheers from the crowds helped spur her on.

"I'd like to say a massive thank you to everyone for their support," she said.

Ellie is now planning a holiday and will celebrate her 18th birthday in November.

**CONGESTION headaches in Walsall will ease if a £10 million cash injection to improve problem road junctions is approved.**

Council bosses are also planning to boost the rail network as cabinet members met to approve the funding.

### by Marion Brennan

Councillor Mohammed Arif, cabinet member for business support services, said: "Some of these schemes are desperately needed especially at places like the Bradford Place interchange.

"But what we really need to put Walsall on the map is a new rail station.

"When multi-millions of pounds are being spent on Birmingham New Street Station, we should be aiming to do the same."

### Government

Car parking, pedestrian crossing points and bus stops and shelters are also set to be transformed under the project.

Transport leader Councillor Tom Ansell told last week's cabinet meeting that the council needed to be quick off the mark in bidding for major projects.

The £10m scheme will involve the council and Centro, and require Government funding too.

## Bogus caller incidents triple over the summer

**THE** number of bogus callers targeting vulnerable residents in Walsall tripled this summer. Complaints to Walsall Council rocketed to 47 across June, July and August, compared to just 15 during the same period last year.

It follows a spate of incidents in which pensioners are visited by bogus workmen who claim that hundreds of pounds worth of work needs to be carried out. Amongst the cases were an elderly man in Pelsall who was conned out of his £2,500 savings and a caller who targeted nursing homes in Walsall and Wednesbury, stealing money from staff.

Councillor Zahid Ali, public protection boss, said: "This type of doorstep crime is cowardly, people preying on the sympathies and good natures of Walsall residents to inflict misery, anger and fear. We must work together to put a stop to it."

CONSTRUCTION students in Walsall have put their new skills to use by revamping their own buildings.

Learners at Walsall Adult and Community College spent four weeks of the summer break putting their skills to the test.

They have assisted construction workers from Walsall-based contractor W Barratt Ltd.

They took part in painting and decorating, removing partition walls, joinery and plastering in classrooms and offices at the Hawbush Centre in Beeches Road, Leamore.

The college is modernising the building.

### For mums-to-be

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## No let up in crackdown on sellers of fake goods

TRADING standards and police have warned rogue traders will not be tolerated as they carry out regular crackdowns in Walsall.

One person was recently brought before the courts for having counterfeit DVDs and given a community order with 16-week curfew.

Councillor Zahid Ali, portfolio holder for public protection at the council, said: "We work very closely with the police to maintain law and order in Walsall. People who break the law can be assured they will be found and dealt with accordingly."

"Anyone who thinks they can get away with selling fake items should think again."

### Eliminate

"Our aim is to eliminate counterfeits from Walsall for good. Our genuine, local traders need protecting otherwise they face the prospect of losing customers and even going out of business."

"On top of this, such activity has been shown to have links to serious and organised crime."

Sergeant Chris Thomas, from Walsall police, said: "We will continue to visit locations at regular intervals to ensure traders are operating legally. Counterfeit products are often inferior quality and buying them promotes and funds crime."

## Car skids into a restaurant

A CAR skidded into a restaurant in Willenhall after colliding with two other vehicles.

The collision left a hole underneath a window at the Ye Olde Toll House in Walsall Road.

Nobody was seriously hurt in the crash, which happened just before 5pm on Wednesday, September 12, causing delays around rush hour.

### Paramedics

Five people, including a young boy, were checked over by paramedics.

Fire crews from Walsall and Willenhall were called to the scene of the crash.

A section of the restaurant wall was damaged but the impact did not affect the structure of the building, which was shut at the time.

Walsall crew commander Chris Hands said: "There was about a metre square hole under a window sill."

## Council complains to Government on benefit shortfall

WALSALL Council's leader has written to the Government stating its opposition to the slashing of £3.3 million in council tax benefits to thousands of claimants in the town.

Mike Bird has penned letters to Local Government Secretary Eric Pickles and Work and Pensions Secretary Iain Duncan Smith expressing the cabinet's concern over the speed of planned changes.

Council chief's last week agreed to make up

the shortfall in order to maintain the existing level of benefits to thousands of working-age residents.

Local authorities across the county are having to decide whether to pass on the reduction to claimants or to plug the gap by finding the money elsewhere in their budgets.

Walsall's decision was made because of the tight time constraints imposed by Downing

Street. The authority plans to draw up a more considered scheme for the future.

Councillor Ian Shires was among those who spoke of their concerns about how the move would affect some of the town's most vulnerable people, accusing the Government of "using a sledgehammer to crack a nut."

He told fellow cabinet members: "At the moment it's a minefield as to how to apply the changes."

"We really need to be concentrating on those people who avoid paying tax who can well afford to. £3.3 million is not going to be easy to find in the current climate but with good housekeeping it can be done."

In Walsall, more than 35,000 households receive council tax benefits. Of these, 18,617 people would have been affected by the reduction as 16,499 pensioners who claim it are exempt.

# Children's boss to cut agency staff number

AGENCY staff will be reduced in Walsall's failing children's services department, says its new boss Rose Collinson. She does not want high numbers of temporary staff but full-time social workers who know "Walsall children and Walsall communities".

## Shoplifter gangs target store for repeated thefts

A SHOPKEEPER says gangs of shoplifters are targeting his store, leaving him worried about the future of his family-run business in Walsall.

He said groups of men have been coming into his business Spend 'n' Save, in Pleck Road, and distracting staff before grabbing bottles of alcohol from the shelves. There have been three incidents in three weeks.

Police are looking at images taken from the store's CCTV system.

Ajaib Garcha, aged 56, has been running the store since 2007. He said he has been left counting the cost after the thieves stole handy and other alcoholic drinks.

But the shoplifters were foiled in their latest attempt earlier this month when Mr Garcha became suspicious and manage to get back a bottle of brandy they were trying to steal.

Mr Garcha, of Smethwick, said: "They have been in groups of four. They walk into the shop and one person stands at the counter while the other three spread themselves around and then they



Ajaib Garcha at his shop

start asking questions about the prices of things to distract attention. It is different men on each occasion but they all look quite young, about 20."

He added: "This is a very bad time for shopkeepers and we could do without this. I'm getting fed up and I'm worried."

Shoplifters had also recently targeted his Nisa store in Hockley.

West Midlands Police said they were investigating the thefts.

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101.

Ms Collinson was appointed director of the service following a damning Ofsted report that branded the care of vulnerable youngsters as "inadequate".

At a children and young people scrutiny panel meeting last week, she said the report had come as a "profound shock".

Ms Collinson told the panel: "We need our social workers to put up their hands if they feel they haven't got something right."

"We need to grow their morale and confidence that it's okay to say I'm worried".

"I don't want loads and loads of agency staff. We need consistent staff who know Walsall children and Walsall communities."

### Priorities

She explained that priorities needed to be set out clearly and that everyone needed to understand their place in the system.

"It's really critical we know what trouble's ahead so we can stop it and we need to be clear what is working in Walsall," she added.

"You're given a lot of quantitative information before. Numbers are important but you also need evidence, words and checking up to do."

The number of looked-after children in Walsall has risen from 490 to 530 since July.

Investigations are now under way to find out if the Ofsted report was responsible for the sharp increase or if it was part of a national trend.

## Ali's thank you for heart care



Heart attack survivor Ali Mahmood, centre, helped raise £730 for Heart Care, with Stephanie Hancox, Harry Cooke, Sam Nicholson and Sue Taylor, all from Heart Care A WALSH businessman who suffered a heart attack has raised more than £700 for the charity and hosted a comedy and curry night at Walsall's Five Rivers A La Carte restaurant.

Ali Mahmood vowed "there's life in the old dog yet" as he thanked the medical staff and after-care team that helped him recover.

The 46-year-old, of Delves Road, suffered a heart attack a few weeks ago and underwent surgery. He is now receiving after-care treatment at Heart Care, based in Portland Street. Mr Mahmood decided to express his

gratitude by raising money for the charity and hosted a comedy and curry night at Walsall's Five Rivers A La Carte restaurant.

Comic stars including Patrick Monahan and Shazia Mirza performed, while £730 was raised through a charity raffle and auction.

Father-of-four Mr Mahmood, who runs In Touch Mobile in Brace Street, Caldmore, with son Shazad Ali, said: "Everyone who looked after me was amazing."

## NEWS

### in brief

#### Help is needed at nature reserve

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help clear holly bushes at a nature reserve on the Walsall-Great Barr border.

The Friends of Merriens Wood, on the Great Barr border, will be carrying out work from 10am to 3pm on Tuesday, October 2.

Volunteers should meet at the Skip Lane entrance. All tools, gloves and equipment are provided but people should bring a packed lunch and suitable footwear.

#### Book sale in aid of charity at church

A BOOK sale will be held on Saturday to raise funds for the Walsall-based charity founded in memory of schoolgirl Rosi Ross.

The Rosie's Helping Hands book sale will be held at Aldridge Methodist Church, Anchor Road, from 10am. Book donations are welcome.

#### History fair plan at town museum

A CELEBRATION of all things historical and genealogical across Walsall will be exhibited in a fair at the town's museum next month.

The Walsall Local History Fair is taking place at Walsall Museum, Lichfield Street, on Saturday, October 13, from 10.30am to 3.30pm.

#### Cardiac collection is boosted by fans

A COLLECTION outside Walsall's Banks's Stadium helped raise £620 for the Cardiac Risk in the Young charity.

The collection was held at the game against MK Dons in memory of ex-Saddlers defender Matt Gadsby, who died aged 27.

#### Health checks are free for over 40s

FREE health checks will be available at Fibbersley Park Children's Centre Shop in Stafford Street, Willenhall, on Wednesday, September 26, from 10am to 3pm. The health checks are being offered to people aged between 40 and 74.

#### Learn to email with the library

ONE-TO-ONE help with emailing will be offered at Walsall Central Reference Library on Thursday, October 4. Sessions will run from 10am to 1pm. Book on (01922) 653110.

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An engineer from Willenhall has spent the summer flying with the RAF's prestigious Red Arrows after landing a job with the world-famous aerobatic team.

Corporal Lyndon Picken, aged 30, is part of the back-seat support crew for the team and was involved during fly-pasts at some of the year's most high-profile events.

These included the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations at Windsor Castle and Buckingham Palace, as well as the 2012 London Olympic Games opening ceremony. The father-of-two has recently returned from the Red Arrows displays in Moscow.

He has been part of a 10-strong team of engineers, known as the Blues, each assigned to a specific aircraft and pilot throughout the 2012 display season.

The former St Thomas More Catholic School pupil was paired with flight lieutenant James McMillan.

### Crew

He has travelled to more than 70 airshows as a passenger in one of the Red Arrows' two-seat Hawk aircraft - flying at speeds of more than 350mph.

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## NEWS

# Bid for funds to build a new skate and bike park

## Dumped cats need homes



Common Farm cattery staff Gemma Cleary, Georgie Hunt, Kasey Brown and Kirsty Lees with the cats who are looking for a new home

HOMES are being sought for dozens of cats after a surge in the number abandoned across Walsall.

The RSPCA is looking for owners after 24 dumped pets were recovered around the region. They are being looked after at Common Farm Cattery in Hedgesford. It costs the charity £4 a day for the cats to be cared for.

RSPCA welfare co-ordinator Becky Weeks said there had been an increase in abandoned animals in recent weeks and the charity is now looking to find new homes for them.

Anyone interested in adopting a cat can call 0845 272 3570 to arrange an appointment. Visit the www.rspca-walsall.org.uk website.

A CAMPAIGN for a skate park to be built at Willenhall Memorial Park is forging ahead after a £200,000 funding bid to Walsall Council.

The Friends of Willenhall Memorial Park want to replace the existing skate park, which has become one of the most popular attractions in the community since opening as a temporary measure more than a decade ago.

A funding bid has now been submitted to Walsall Council and, if successful, will provide all of the cash for the scheme.

A consultation was launched earlier this year and dozens of youngsters were invited to help with designs for a new facility that can be used by both skaters and BMX riders.

Willenhall South councillor Diane Coughlan, a member of the Friends of Willenhall Memorial Park, said a new skate park was much needed and would provide youngsters with "positive activities" to do.

She said: "An application for £200,000 has been made to the capital receipts panel at Walsall Council."

"We are asking for the money from capital receipts because Willenhall Leisure Centre was sold off and we want the money to be spent back in Willenhall."

"There has been a full consultation and the youths have designed what they want."

Ramps at the current skate park, off Pinson Road, are worn and in need of replacing. When it opened more than 10 years ago, the facility was only intended to last 12 months.

## Work closes road

A ROAD in Pelsall will be closed for more than three weeks for bridge repairs on behalf of British Waterways.

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## LETTERS

# Life is draining away from town

MORE doom and gloom for Walsall with the news that with a shop vacancy rate of 29.6 per cent we are second only to Nottingham, in this league of tragedy in the Midlands.

Have no doubts that Walsall will soon be top of the league, as we have a council seemingly oblivious to the fact that the parking regime they have put in place is slowly but surely draining the life blood out of business in our town.

We are now told that a £100,000 scheme is in place and that the council is working hard to address this problem. I believe this is yet another waste of money.

You can offer the suggested enticements for business to come here but when they observe how it really is in our town that honeymoon period will soon be a distant memory and they will leave again.

It's not that councillors were not forewarned about this tragedy, for many years both Labour and Conservative councils have been warned of the consequences of using motorists as cash cows.

Many leading councillors over the years have questioned such a policy being put in place. We are where we are because of those many warnings being ignored.

## Plea to allow post office to issue tax discs

I HAVE written to the Transport Secretary, Justine Greening, strongly urging that local post offices should continue to have facilities where driving licences, vehicle tax discs and other DVLA services will remain available, as now.

A large number of my constituents have written and asked if I would contact the minister over such matters.

It appears that the Government will shortly decide whether such services will continue to be available at post offices.

In my letter to Justine Greening, I have pointed out that if such facilities are taken away from post offices the danger will be that far fewer will close down permanently.

The issue will no doubt be raised in the Commons with MPs urging the Government to allow post offices to survive with sufficient business to be able to do so.

DAVID WINNICK MP,

House of Commons

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## Cat and mouse game for PM over Europe

WILL the mouse, aka David Cameron, realise that the UKIP cat is waiting at his mousehole to pounce on him because of his deliberate dithering over a UK referendum?

So many ex-Conservatives are moving over to UKIP, my wife and I were staunch Conservatives until 1999, when we saw the light.

The Lib-Dems are limping back to their mousehole – a spent force – with the New Labour cat waiting there if they dare to come out again.

The results of the referendums held in Cheadle and Hazel Grove speak for themselves – over 86 per cent want a referendum over our membership of the EU. We want to be out of this unelected, undemocratic and undeniably corrupt European Union, whose Commissioners operate behind closed doors and cannot be removed via the ballot box.

The EU isn't fighting to keep the Euro, only to preserve their expensive and luxurious lifestyle, for which we are paying £52,000,000 a day! Go to Brussels and Strasbourg when the European Parliament is in session and see what's going on. My wife and I have, it was a real eye-opener.

ALAN SHEATH, Portland Road, Aldridge

## Free parking only incentive to visit centre

WALSALL Council Leader Mike Bird, speaking in relation to the under-use of fee-paying council car parks versus the free car parking provided by Tesco, states "it's a complex legal and planning issue".

As a Walsall resident and shopper I confess that it's far from complex for me. However much I wish to support the remaining businesses in the centre of the town, my only incentive to continue shopping whilst faced with an increasingly depressing landscape of closed shops, fast-food outlets and budget chains is the complimentary parking provided by a multi-national corporation.

Though it would sadden me greatly to lose access to Walsall Market, the Art Gallery and the Central Library, I would prefer to shop in Bloxwich or Aldridge as they attempt to maintain vibrant high streets and a pleasant environment.

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## NEWS

# Debt collectors idea to protect historic buildings

## Super slimmers hit catwalk



Willenhall's Alison Fisher before and after joining WeightWatchers

SLIMMERS from the Black Country showed off their new figures by taking to the catwalk for a fundraising fashion show.

Eleven members of WeightWatchers groups from Willenhall, Wednesbury, Wednesfield, Wolverhampton and Great Barr took to the stage to raise money for Help For Heroes.

Around 120 people packed into Darlaston All Active Centre as the nine women and two men modelled their new-look wardrobes.

More than £700 was raised from the event which was organised by WeightWatchers leader Emma Eardley, from Willenhall.

Among those showing off her new figure was Alison Fisher, who has

DEBT collectors could be used to recoup council money spent on securing empty historic buildings in Walsall.

Councillors came up with the idea in a discussion on how best to protect the heritage of the borough's buildings. They are now considering the practicalities of the idea. The public has been concerned about the number of historic sites left to rot.

Walsall Council's regeneration and scrutiny performance panel revealed its plans to ensure such structures do not go to waste.

A last resort could be compulsory purchase orders. The committee considered the council's policies and powers in relation to empty, derelict and listed buildings.

### Landmark

Norman Hickson, development manager at the council, told the meeting: "People are saying to us 'have you noticed the state of some of these buildings?'. Members of the public are ringing us up."

"We are looking at how we should move forward and get a message out there that we are going to step in and do the work. There will be costs ultimately."

"We have two enforcement officers who are out every day."

Councillor Carl Creaney said: "Why can't we use debt collecting agencies? There are responsible owners out there but there are also people who don't care."

Councillor Marco Longhi added after the meeting: "This is all about making places safe."

## Protest meeting

A PRESSURE group opposed to council cuts in Walsall is holding a public meeting on Wednesday, September 26.

Walsall Against Cuts are inviting residents to the meeting at the Royal Hotel, in Ablewell Street, at 6.30pm.

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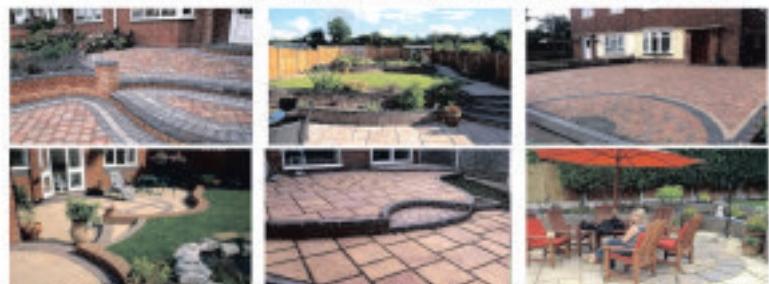
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## NEWS

Art inspiration



Children display art works inspired by Damien Hirst at the New Art Gallery in Walsall - Ammarah Lorgat, aged 10, from Palfrey and Sofia Saffery, four

CHILDREN from across Walsall took part in creative sessions at The New Art Gallery Walsall in preparation for the arrival of work by Damien Hirst.

Youngsters created artworks inspired by pieces from the Turner Prize winner.

Councillor Anthony Harris, Walsall Council's cabinet member for leisure and culture, said the borough wanted to do all it could to promote Hirst's exhibition and get children involved in the arts.

He said: "It really is an opportunity to put the New Art Gallery and Walsall on the map. We are expecting art enthusiasts from across the globe to visit the exhibition here in Walsall but it also presents a chance for local people here to view art which is normally only on display in London."

The exhibition will open on October 6 this year and run until October 26 next year. It will include his critically acclaimed but controversial work, Away from the Flock, consisting of a lamb suspended in a tank of formaldehyde.

## Signals plan to ease jams at junction

A £500,000 plan to cut delays at a busy M6 junction has been submitted.

The roundabout under junction nine at Wednesbury would be upgraded with 'intelligent' traffic lights in the scheme submitted to the Highways Agency.

The route is used by tens of thousands of motorists a day and a decision on cash for the scheme is expected by the end of the year.

The junction is a main gateway for Ikea and Gallagher Retail Park where the number of shops on the site and traffic has increased in the last year.

### Congestion

Walsall Council has submitted a bid for funding. Under the scheme, state-of-the-art traffic lights would be fitted which respond automatically in peak periods to ease congestion.

Council transport chief Tom Ansell said: "The changes would mean the junction is able to fully utilise all available capacity."

"It is expected these improvements will reduce congestion on the approaches to junction nine of the M6 during both morning and evening peak periods."

Walsall Council is expecting a funding decision from the Highways Agency in the near future.

Funds have been allocated to the Highways Agency for improvements to the strategic road network.

## Scheme to improve a care home

A NEW meeting room and storage facilities could be created at a care home in Willenhall, under plans submitted to Walsall Council.

The plans improve Holly Bank House, Coltham Road,

which is owned and managed by the council. The home provides accommodation adults with physical disabilities.

A meeting room would be built for home users and a storage unit would be provided. A separate lockable bin store for medical waste is also planned.

Additional parking would be provided.

A design and access statement, submitted with the plans, reads: "It is proposed to create parking on the entry road by removing the trees and shrubs. This will allow for an ambulance parking bay as well and additional nurse points."

The facility will also soon be used to provide a service to support discharged hospital patients who currently use Rushall Mews treatment centre in Walsall.

## NEWS

# ID scheme has had major impact on underage sales

## England women inspire



England and Olympic Team GB footballers Sophie Bradley (left) and Jess Clarke are pictured coaching pupils at Alumwell Junior School

PUPILS and teachers at Alumwell Junior School spent an inspiring morning with Team GB footballers Sophie Bradley and Jess Clarke.

The pair, who both run out for England and Lincoln Ladies, held a training session with pupils before taking part in a question and answer session.

### Village

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Angela Hill, deputy headteacher

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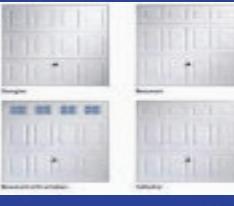
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## CLUB NEWS

Kay, 91, clocks up the miles

CANNOCK WI

PRESIDENT Stella Winfield wished a very happy birthday to Susan Brookes and Agnes Overton.

Special wishes went to Doris Westwood, who has been in hospital but is now home and improving. Rosemary Larkin also continues to get better.

The Federations Big Walk Little Splash competition has shown some very fit ladies. Over four months, 91-year-old Kay Mathews clocked 4,980km walking daily to the shops and back. Bronwyn Pace has walked 127 miles with the Ramblers and Susan Brookes clocked 100 miles from daily swims. Margaret Walker walked in five different countries and Chris Pace, Joan Brazier and Stella Winfield all walked more than 50 miles.

The SFWI Summer Celebration at Stafford Showground was a success. June Fox won £30 worth of meat.

An invitation from the Chairman of Cannock Chase Male Probus Club to their annual luncheon on October 11 at the Terrace Restaurant was accepted.

Social Secretary Ellen Alcott has arranged a skittle and buffet evening at the Hen House in October and a visit to the Shopping Outlets at Trafford Park on November 4.

Speaker Nigel Wiggin talked about the family chain-making business that branched out into Old hall giftware.

October's meeting is a social morning, with quiz, bingo and sales table and complimentary fresh scones.

# Members hail Old Hall visit a success



The grounds of Moseley Old Hall, Wolverhampton, where WI members paid a visit

### ASTON-BY-STONE WI

THERE were three visitors to the September meeting, which got the evening off to a good start.

The visit to Moseley Old Hall was pronounced a success. "Denman Dip" was explained, members put £1 in an envelope, seal it, put their name and institute on the front and with a bit of luck get a weekend at the wonderful college. Photographs are needed for 2014 Staffordshire Federation calendar.

The reading group will be discussing "Wide Sargasso Sea" at its next meeting.

The club meets on the second Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm at the village hall.

## Back to the 50s and 60s

### BONEY HAY AND CHASE TERRACE WI

THE ANNUAL Harvest supper was held with the food being provided by the members, half bringing savoury dishes and the other half sweet.

As usual, everyone came up trumps. The individual tables had been decorated with red, white and blue napkins and a small bouquet of flowers in a wine goblet, placed in the centre. There

was also a raffle the prizes being three baskets of harvest produce, kindly given by one of the committee.

Everyone joined in to clear up after the meal and were eager to take part in a short

quiz which had been set by a committee member. There were no prizes for the winning table but it seemed all enjoyed it for the fun.

The next meeting will take members back to the 1950s/60s and it is hoped all will join in the spirit of that time. The president thanked everyone who had contributed to such a successful evening.

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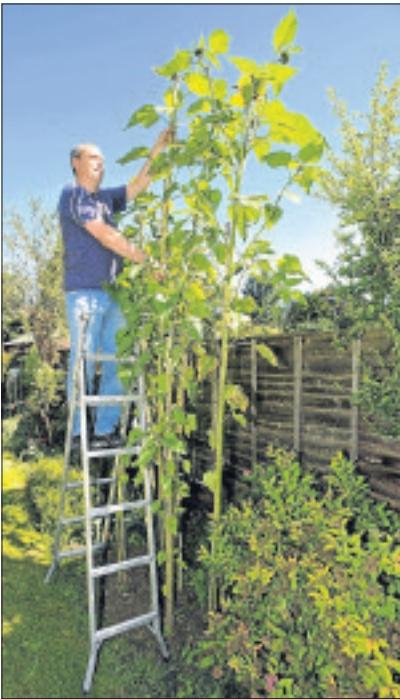
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## NEWS

**Sunflowers soar**

David Dilkes needs a ladder to tend his sunflower

SUNFLOWERS in a Walsall garden are reaching new heights – after growing to a whopping 11ft.

The colourful blooms have rocketed in the garden of father-of-two David Dilkes. Around eight of the flowers have sprung up in the 52-year-old's garden in Raven Road.

Mr Dilkes, who has only recently developed an interest in gardening, said: "I was surprised that they have grown so tall." The West Bromwich Building Society worker added: "I did some last year and they were around 6ft I measured these ones though and the tallest is 11ft and there are about four or five around it that are 10ft tall."

**Vandalised office block marked for demolition**

**DEMOLITION** of a vandal-hit building in Aldridge has been supported by council chiefs.

The detached office block at Aldridge Manor House in Little Aston Road is being pulled down after becoming a target for vandals. It has most recently been used by youth and community services at the council but is now not needed by the authority.

The application for demolition to the council said: "The annexe building was built in the 1970s and has been used by various departments within the council, lately by youth and community."

"The existing annexe building is in poor condition and has suffered much vandalism and a recent fire.

"It is surplus to the councils requirement under the Smarter Working Programme.

"The demolition of the annexe can only improve the setting and visual impact of the listed Manor House."

The removal of the building has been backed by planning officers. Head of planning David Elsworth said: "The existing single storey 1970s building makes little or no architectural or historic contribution to the Aldridge Conservation Area of the listed building."

**Pub hands over a £5k donation**

STAFF at a Walsall pub have handed over a cheque for £5,000 to Birmingham's Children's Hospital to help pay for a new heart monitor.

A series of activities organised by the Longhorn in Sutton Road were held to raise money for the the neonatal ward monitor.

**Jumble sale date**

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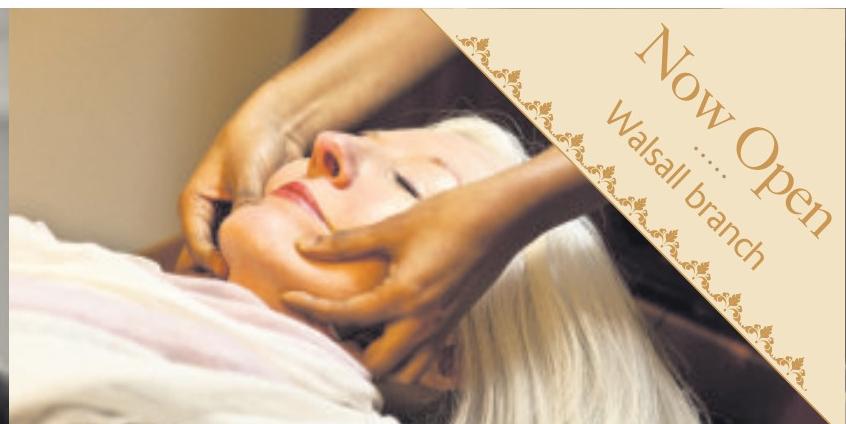
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**Guest**

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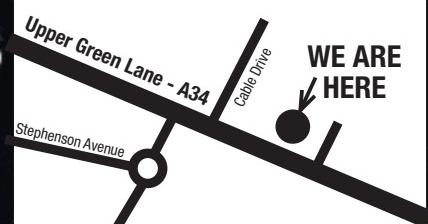
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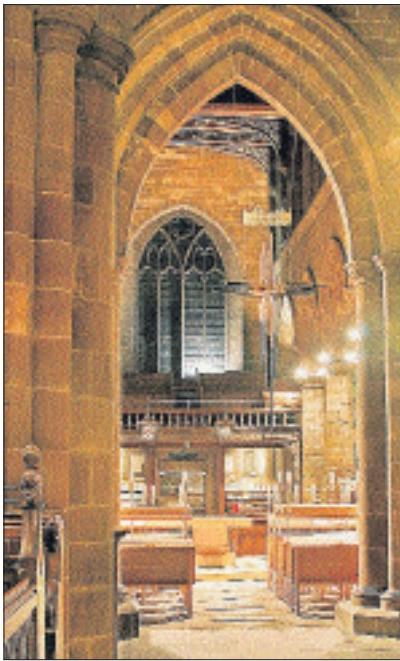
The carved head of King Edward III that looks down on the congregation



A Victorian etching of St Peter's, the oldest parts of which date to 1,200



The Lady Chapel, one of the first parts of the current church to be built



One of the impressive arches that support St Peter's

# Why does a king look on the congregation?

**WHERE does the name Wolverhampton come from and why could St Peter's Church have become a Cistercian Abbey?**

Why does King Edward III look down on the congregation and who paid for the building of a grander church?

If you have an interest in the above questions, and would like to make a small donation towards the upkeep of our city's most important architectural and historical feature, take a look at the two recently produced fundraising booklets on sale.

Lady Wulfrun's Hampton and Wool Town Church give the answers and the story of how the Anglo-Saxon settlement of Heantun emerged from the Dark Ages with its Minster Church of St Mary.

Royalty in the form of Lady Wulfrun refounded the Minster with lands at Bilston, Willenhall, Wednesfield, Pelsall, Featherstone

*By Anthony and Joyce Perry*

and other outlying small settlements, and several priests, known as a "college", to look after their spiritual well-being.

The first dean in charge of this collegiate establishment, Sansome, was among those who were close to King William, and was responsible for his Domesday Survey of the country. He became Bishop of Worcester, and annexed Wulfremhampton or Wlurenehampona—the first forms of the full name of the town—to the Priory of Worcester.

King John, the Pope and the Archbishop of Canterbury agreed to replace the priests with a community of Cistercian monks and to build a new abbey about the year 1200, and the oldest parts of the existing church were the beginnings of this new building.

However, when the archbishop died the idea was abandoned and a new dean installed.

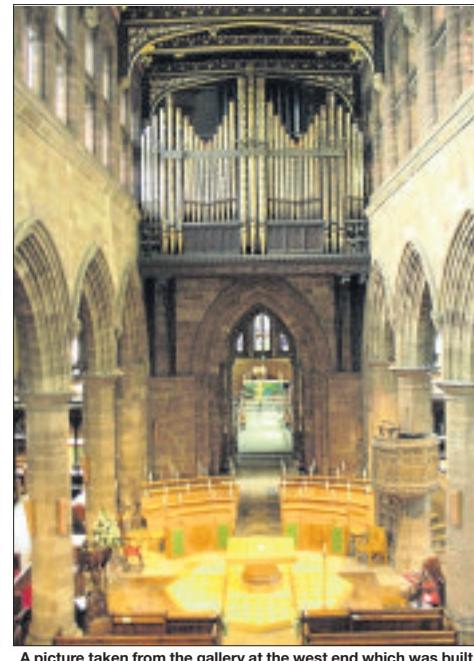
During the 13th and 14th centuries the dean in effect ran the

town, with charters for a market, fair, borough, court and wool fair. The town became wealthy through the wool and cloth trade, with sheep brought in to be penned in the Folds and sold in the sheep market, sorting, scouring and spinning the wool, making cloth, and the most wealthy being the merchants, who paid for St Peter's to be enlarged and built in the grand style we see today.

The church was a Royal Free Chapel, answerable to the Crown, not the Bishops, and Edward III was one monarch who was responsible for Charters to the Dean and indirectly for much of the rebuilding in the 14th century, commemorated by his crowned bearded head being carved in the stonework above the nave arches.

Regular Sunday and weekday services are held in St Peter's, and the church is open from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday, and 10am to 1pm on Saturdays.

The Visitor Centre is well worth seeing to understand more of the story of Wolverhampton and its parish church.



A picture taken from the gallery at the west end which was built for the boys of Wolverhampton Grammar School

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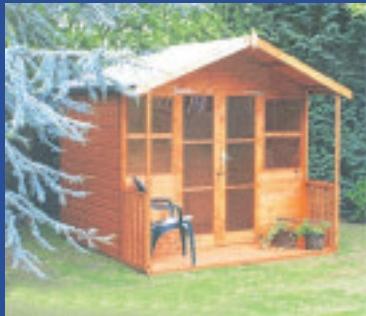
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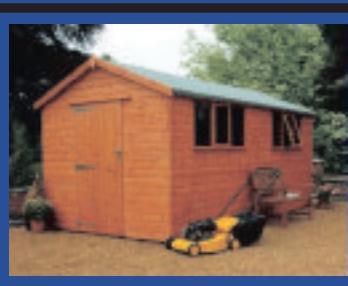


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## NEWS

# Sofia's many flavours of Italy will help charities



Taste of Italy – Dmitrious Jones, manager at Sofia's Italian Restaurant, is holding Italian Regional Charity Nights at the restaurant

**Restaurant review by Mark Shipp**  
A WALSALL restaurant is encouraging customers to enjoy food from the diverse regions of Italy while raising money for charity.

Sofia's Italian Restaurant, at the historic Guildhall, in High Street, is hosting Italian regional charity nights every Thursday.

The special evenings include a Napoli night as the city is famous for its pizza and a Bologna where spaghetti and meatballs will be the specialty. Other regional nights include a Sardinia night with sea bass as the specialty and Tuscany evening where a chicken dish will be served.

Those who order the specialty on regional night will receive a free glass of wine, beer or soft drink and garlic ciabatta bread.

## Opportunity

Restaurant manager Dmitrious Jones said: "Italy has a very diverse range of specialty dishes which originate from different regions throughout the country. I thought it would be great to give people the opportunity to come and try the different foods."

"It is also an opportunity to raise money for a charity or a local good cause each week. We will be open to fundraising suggestions."

Sofia's is situated in a 15th century building in the centre of Walsall and provides an excellent location for a romantic meal, as my partner and I discovered. There were plenty of diners which made for an all-round better atmosphere. Yet that did not diminish the quality of service or food.

I opted for La Polpetta Napoli for starters, spicy meatballs in a Napoli sauce, before tucking in to a spaghetti frutti di mare, combining a passion for pasta with my love of fish. Sharon's choice was a chicken pasta, and there are a host of fish, meat and chicken dishes to choose from, all made with traditional Italian ingredients. There's an extensive wine list, as one would expect, but I chose to wash mine down with Peroni beer, and followed it with a fruit salad dessert.

A three-course meal would set diners back around £20 – a price worth paying for an authentic taste of Italy and in such a unique setting.

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**FOCUS ON BLOXWICH****College has new staff and more workshops**

MORE than £400,000 has been invested in equipment and three new workshops at the Black Country University Technical College in Bloxwich, which has welcomed more than 200 students.

Six new teachers and three support staff have been recruited at the specialist engineering school.

Principal Chris Hilton said students and apprentices were still being taken.

Further improvement work at the school in Vernon Way, will include creating a new technical centre where students can manufacture their own products.

**Upgraded**

A learning resource centre is planned along with a theatre that can be used for meetings and performance, while dining and social areas will also be upgraded.

Mr Hilton said: "We've always talked about a completion date of 2014 and that is still what we are working towards."

He added: "There will be a new technical centre at the front of the building."

**Road closures**

SURFACING work will shut Turnberry Road in Bloxwich, between its junctions with the Broad Lane and Stafford Road, on Sunday from 8am to 6pm.

Bloxwich level crossing will be closed from midnight to 9.30am for the next two Sundays.

**Cabaret star entertains**

TICKETS are available for cabaret star Joe Longthorne at Bloxwich Memorial Club next month.

The singer will be joined by comic Billy Pearce for the show at the Harrison Street venue on October 26 from 7pm. Tickets are £25 and available from the club, or Gary on 07745 397345.

# Golfers cycled coast to coast to boost charities

**A GROUP of cyclists from Bloxwich Golf Club cycled coast to coast across England last week in order to raise money for charities.**

by Tom Mason

The intrepid riders have managed to raise nearly £1,500 for Aldridge-based Rosie's Helping Hands and Mencap by cycling across Lancashire and Yorkshire on a gruelling 17-hour ride covering 141 miles.

The club's captain Derek Crawford, 65, chose Rosie's Helping Hands and Mencap as the charities based upon personal experience of the organisations' work. He is a friend of the family of Rosie Ross, who set up a charity in memory of the schoolgirl who was killed on a shopping trip to Birmingham.

After the ride he said: "It has been an eventful couple of days but it has gone really well. We are very grateful to our supporters."

On the first day the five cyclists including Mr Crawford, ex-club captain John Brown, club chairman Gary Richards and members Matt

Salt and Adrian Riley set off from Morecambe Golf Club cycling through Lancashire and over the Yorkshire moors to Ripon, 79 miles away.

The team made it to their final destination, Flamborough Lighthouse, near Bridlington after cycling a further 59 miles – although they were forced to stop along the way when a gear broke on one of the bikes. Co-founder and trustee of Rosie's Helping Hands, Karen Ross said: "We are very proud to have been chosen as one of the charities by the men's captain, Derek Crawford, and thank him and Bloxwich Golf Club for their generous support. The money will help to provide sports and play equipment to local causes that Rosie's charity helps each year."



Proud parents Simon and Kerry with their little miracle Shayne on his first birthday

## Birthday boy wins his battle

A BABY who was born more than three months premature and faced a battle for survival has celebrated his first birthday.

Shayne Welsh weighed just 1lb 14oz at birth and his parents Simon and Kerry, from Cresswell Crescent, Bloxwich, were braced for the worst.

They had already suffered the heartbreak of six miscarriages and Shayne was effectively dead for more than 30 minutes just two days after his birth. There were also fears they may lose him after he required four blood transfusions.

Carpenter dad Simon, aged 44, said: "He was in hospital for three months. It was amazing when they said we could bring him home."

His wife Kerry, aged 39, said: "We are just ecstatic, there is no way to describe it. He is our little miracle. He rolls around and he is trying to walk, he is just a normal baby."

## Silver gilt award for a blooming good effort

BLOXWICH has scooped a silver gilt award in the Heart of England in Bloom contest.

It follows months of hard work by businesses and residents to beautify the town. Scores of hanging baskets were put around the town and a red, white and blue flower bed for the Diamond Jubilee was created.

The success comes despite thieves stealing some of the hanging baskets in June.

Meanwhile, Aldridge was awarded a gold, while Darlaston, Willenhall and Brownhills got silver awards.

Mike Garwood, chairman of Heart of England in Bloom, said: "Everyone is proud to be involved with In Bloom, which is one of the largest horticultural campaigns in Europe and even more so when they receive their prestigious awards."

**Praised**

In a statement, Councilors Julie and Shaun Fitzpatrick said: "So many people who visit and shop in Bloxwich have praised the efforts of everyone concerned in transforming the image of the town this year."

"Thank you to those who sponsored the barrier planters and baskets, to all those who look after the parks and orchards, to the local churches and schools that took part and all the volunteers who contributed."

"A special thank you to Nikki Rolls, Bloxwich Regeneration Officer, for planning, motivating and bringing it all together on the day of judging."

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- Tours of the academy to meet staff and see the academy's facilities
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In addition to attending the Open Evening, appointments can also be made to see the academy in operation during an academy working day. Parents are welcome to contact reception on 01922 720741 or email [info@wwea.org.uk](mailto:info@wwea.org.uk) to arrange a visit on Tuesday 2nd October or Wednesday 3rd October of the following week.

We hope that you can join us and we look forward to meeting you.

## REVIEWS

# Quick-witted comic finds inspiration in his audience

### LIVE

**JASON BYRNE, WULFRUN HALL**  
**WHATEVER** Irish comedian Jason Byrne had planned went completely out of the window during the first half of his Wolverhampton gig.

It was all going so well as the 'People's Puppeteer' took to the stage in a gimp mask and, er something else, for a routine about Fifty Shades of Grey.

Embarrassed to find a 14-year-old boy and his brother sitting in the front row, the madcap comic had to tone it down.

"What did you expect, a real puppet show?" he asked the dad of the teenage boys.

Quick-witted Byrne fended off any heckling, though it was clear the crowd was only trying to join in with the fun.

Byrne took particular pleasure from the random sputterings of the audience, who were self-deprecating enough to find it as humorous as the rest of us. Latecomers who tried to hide their faces behind their tickets came in for particular stick.

The appreciative crowd even left him gifts during the interval, with a spud gun and a potato among them, as well as hospital bed pans that he wore as a cowboy hat and was later presented to the two teenage boys at the front.

The second half was a bit more routine, with an incident involving toothpaste in a hotel room and him recounting the tale of his five-year-old son asking to wear a moustache for his first day at school.

Mark Shipp

# That's Alright Elvis in tribute to legend

**The Elvis Years, Grand Theatre**  
SCREAMS of delight from the ladies welcomed Mario Kombou onto the stage in Wolverhampton looking every inch like the King himself.

After seeing many Elvis impersonators over the years – some good some bad – I was a little apprehensive. But after his opening song, That's Alright Mama, my wife who is a keen Elvis fan agreed with me that this was going to be a brilliant show.

With his looks and uncanny perfect vocals, Kombou brought the King alive. Together with his first class musicians it was non-stop hits from Heartbreak Hotel to Viva Las Vegas. Dressed in the all-in-one white jumpsuit he went into the audience to give scarves to the fans.

Last song An American Trilogy had the audience on their feet singing along.

Les Jowett

# The Sims go supernatural

### PC GAME

**The Sims 3 Supernatural Expansion Pack (12)**

THE world of The Sims just got even weirder with the latest add-on for the hugely popular Sims 3.

Previous versions of the game in which you create your own virtual people and neighbourhoods had the odd alien, ghost and visiting vampire. Now makers EA introduce a range of supernatural creatures including werewolves, fairies, witches, wizards and vampires.

And watch out for the wandering ghouls from Plants Vs Zombies.

Sims devotees, of which there are many, will delight in the new stuff and abilities, offering the chance to wave a wand, fly via fairy wings or broomsticks, and cast spells.

Leon Burakowski

# Dylan's Titanic epic

### ALBUM

**Bob Dylan – Tempest**

IN OLD age 1960s icon Bob Dylan has hit fine form, provided you can take the gravitas of a gravel voice that sounds as old as a fossil.

Dylan and his faultless band have a sound that is steeped in the old time music of America, from blues and folk to waltzes and murder ballads.

Much has been made of the title – The Tempest was Shakespeare's last play – but the long title track is a description of the sinking of The Titanic, which seems to blend fact, fancy and movie fiction. Is that Leonardo DiCaprio or Da Vinci getting a name check?

Now Johnny Cash has gone, nobody is better than Dylan at fire and brimstone, and lots of his characters in these songs are bound for hell. He dips his pen in poison and spits out memorably venomous lines in Narrow Way and Pay In Blood. However, there is often an element of wry humour.

The legend remains a part-time genius. The lyrics of John Lennon tribute Roll On John, though heartfelt, are rather clumsy and obvious. But Dylan can be forgiven when he produces a track like Early Roman Kings, an allegorical critique delivered to a blistering revision of a Muddy Waters blues grind. Or the compelling old west love triangle ballad Tin Angel.

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Bob Dylan – death, disaster and DiCaprio on his mind

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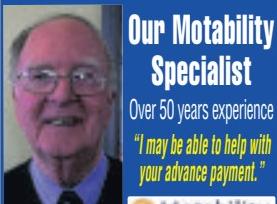
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## What's On! Walsall

### Canterbury tales at youth theatre

CHAUCER classic The Canterbury Tales will be performed in Aldridge tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday.

Two members of Aldridge Youth Theatre will make their debuts as directors in the senior group production.

The cast of 14 to 18-year-olds will perform at Aldridge Youth Theatre at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £7 for adults and £6 for children.

Call the box office on (01922) 458615 on Mondays and Thursdays, between 7pm to 9pm.

### Bard beams into Showcase cinema

PERFORMANCES will be beamed live from Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in London to a Walsall cinema.

Two of The Bard's plays will be shown on the big screen at the Showcase Cinema in Bentley.

All's Well That Ends Well will be seen on Wednesday, September 26, followed by Much Ado About Nothing on October 4.

Doctor Faustus, by Shakespeare's contemporary Christopher Marlowe, is on October 24. Tickets cost £10.25 or £7.25 for members.

### Town hall recital

AN ORGAN recital is taking place at Walsall Town Hall today (Thursday).

Borough organist Peter Morris will be performing at 1pm. Tickets are £2 on the door.

# Swan Lake is a milestone for 100 young ballerinas

MORE than 100 young ballerinas from the West Midlands will be involved in a spectacular production of Swan Lake, being performed by the English Youth Ballet at Wolverhampton Grand Theatre tomorrow (Friday) and Saturday.

The three performances of this Russian classic, danced to the soaring music of Tchaikovsky, will be performed on Friday and Saturday evenings, and at a Saturday matinee. Local dancers who auditioned at the Grand will join eight principal dancers on stage.

It is not the only Swan Lake this autumn, with Birmingham Royal Ballet's return home from touring to present this best known of all ballets, plus a triple bill of shorter works.

The company will test out Birmingham Hippodrome's new stage from September 26 to 29 with Opposites Attract, including David Bintley's joyous jazz dance Take That, Jessica Lang's inventive Lyric Pieces and Hans van Manen's powerful Grosse Fuge.

Their Swan Lake is staged from October 2 to 6. The lead role of Odette/Odile are being shared by Nao Sakuma, Elisha Willis and Natasha Oughtred.



Dancers preparing for the Waltz of the Swans in English Youth Ballet's Swan Lake

### Little Voice to be heard at the Grand

AWARD-winning comedy-drama with music, The Rise and Fall of Little Voice, brings a star-studded cast to Wolverhampton Grand.

Jim Cartwright's story of a talent scout who thinks he's found a goldmine in a shy girl with an incredible talent to sing like the great female stars of yesteryear at the Grand from Monday to Saturday (Sep 24-29).

Introducing gifted impressionist Jess Robinson from Dead Ringers as Little Voice, the show also stars Coronation Street's Beverley Callard as her formidable mother, Joe McGann as desperate variety agent Ray Say and Ray Quinn as Little Voice's admirer Billy.

### Jamaican dance group to perform

THE National Dance Theatre Company of Jamaica return for the first time in 10 years to the West Midlands to perform at the New Alexandra Theatre Birmingham tomorrow (Friday) and on Saturday, marking their home island's 50th anniversary of independence.

The company blends the music and dance traditions of Jamaica, Africa and the American South with both modern dance and classical ballet.

Tickets cost from £11 to £26.

### Restored Doors concert on screen

FANS of American rockers The Doors will be able to relive one of the band's most legendary performances on the big screen.

Showcase Cinema, in Bentley Mill Way, Walsall, is on Monday, September 24, screening a restored version of the band's acclaimed 1968 concert at the Hollywood Bowl in California.

The screening will also include a documentary about the group fronted by the late Jim Morrison.

Tickets cost £10 for adults and £7 for students and members.

### Historical drama

TIMBERLAKE Wertenbaker's play Our Country's Good, set in the early days of Australian history, is staged at Birmingham's Old Rep Theatre by Birmingham Rep from Tuesday to September 29.

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### Red or Black? ITV1, 7.25pm

For newcomers, the format for this series involves contestants in each round choosing red or black, with those who choose the wrong colour being sent home. All video games need beta tests to iron out any bugs, and the same is true for TV game shows – so series two may have redressed any problems from 2011. The question is: can rugby union stars Sam Warburton and Manu Tuilagi help turn the show around? Or do the masses really miss the sight of two teams of dogs competing in a race? Here's a chance to find out as Ant and Dec present the latest edition.

## BBC1

**6.00 Breakfast.** **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food. **(R) 12.00** BBC News; Red Nose Day; Weather. **12.15** Football Focus.  
**1.00** Live Formula 1; Singapore Grand Prix Qualifying. **3.30** Cycling. **4.30** Final Score. **5.30** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **5.50** A Question of Sport: Extreme. **6.30** **All New Total Wipeout.** Richard Hammond and Amanda Holden present as 2000 footballers, Brits, including royal brothers and a Tina Turner lookalike, take on the obstacle course.

**7.30 Doctor Who.** Earth is invaded by millions of sinister-looking black cubes, but no one knows what they are or who sent them – so that's where moves in with the Ponds as he works out with the Ponds.

**8.15 The National Lottery: Secret Fortune.** High-tension quiz show, presented by Nick Knowles. Father and daughter David and Charlotte attempt to win the top prize of £100,000.

**9.10 Casualty.** The team is tested when a fresh storm hits. Holly, while Big Mac tries to persuade an old friend to undergo vital surgery – only to end up fighting for life himself.

**10.00 BBC News;** Weather. **10.20 Match of the Day.** Including highlights of West Ham United v Sunderland; Newcastle v Liverpool.

**11.40 The Football League Show.** Highlights of today's games in the Championship, League One and League Two.

**12.55 Weatherview.** **1.00** BBC News.

## BBC2

**6.00 CBeebies.** **7.00** CBBC. **12.00** Film: First Daughter. **(2004)** **1.40** Film: The Ipcress File. **(1965)** **3.25** Escape to the Chateau. **(R) 4.10** Put Your Mouth Where Your Mouth Is. **(R) 5.15** Wartime Farm. **(R) 5.55** Antiques Road Trip. **(R)**  
**6.55 Flog It! (R)**  
**7.40 Dad's Army.** The older members of the platoon take drastic action when they are threatened with being made air-raid wardens, transforming themselves in a bid to appear younger. **(R)**  
**8.10** **Red or Black?** Rugby union stars Sam Warburton and Manu Tuilagi go head to head, classical duo Jonathan and Charlotte perform with choir Only Boys Aloud, and two teams of dogs compete after The Factor. **(R)**  
**9.10** **The X Factor.** The show presents an extended version of the quiz, and poses some unusual questions about jelly, jam and juice to Jo Brand, Liza Tarbuck, Sue Perkins and Alan Davies.  
**9.55 The Thick of It.** Peter reluctantly spends a long weekend at a country retreat with Steve, who is holding a creative-thinking seminar to reinvigorate the party, while Glenn toils at the office.  
**10.25 The Clintons.**  
**11.25 Film:** Primary Colors. **(1998)** A political aide begins work for a presidential candidate, but struggles to cope as rumours of indiscretions come to light. Political drama, with John Travolta and Emma Thompson.  
**1.35 Film:** Curse of the Crimson Altar. **(1968)** **3.00 Close.**

## ITV1

**6.00 CITV; CITV.** **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **10.25** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. **11.15** The Factor. **(R) 12.15** ITV News; Weather. **12.25** All Star Family Fortunes. **(R) 2.10** Film: Every Which Way But Loose. **(1978)** **4.15** Film: Programme; Weather.  
**6.11** **ITV News;** Weather.  
**6.25 New You've Been Framed!** A fresh selection of comical clips.  
**6.55 Fool Britannia.** Hidden-camera pranks, with Dom Joly.  
**7.25 Red or Black?** Rugby union stars Sam Warburton and Manu Tuilagi go head to head, classical duo Jonathan and Charlotte perform with choir Only Boys Aloud, and two teams of dogs compete after The Factor.  
**8.10** **The X Factor.** In the first of two boot-camp editions this week, more than 200 contestants who impressed at the auditions head to Liverpool's Echo Arena for a second round of challenges. Continues tomorrow.  
**9.40 Red or Black?** The four remaining contestants face further challenges, the first of which sees golfers Paul Casey and Melissa Reid compete in a battle-of-the-sexes game.  
**10.25 The Jonathan Ross Show.** **(R)** Michael Gambon, Emily Blunt and John Bishop.  
**11.40 Take Me Out.** **(R)**  
**12.40 The Store.** **(TV News Headlines)** **2.40** In Plain Sight. **(R)**  
**3.30** **ITV Nightscreen.** **5.30** **ITV Morning News.**

## CHANNEL 4

**6.05 British GT.** **6.30** The Grid. **7.00** Strathclyde Park Triathlon. **7.55** The Morning Line. **8.55** T4: Clever Mammals: The Frontline. **(R) 9.10** T4: The Festival 2012. **2012 Highlights.** **9.45** T4: Style Studio. **10.15** T4: New Girl. **10.50** T4: Revenge. **11.50** T4:  
Suburgatory. **12.20** T4: The Big Bang Theory. **(R) 12.50** T4: The Simpsons. **(R) 1.55** Channel 4 News. **5.10** Come Dine with Me: Ireland. **5.10** Come Dine with Me: Ireland. **5.45** Come Dine with Me: Ireland.  
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**6.40** **Channel 4 News.**  
**7.10** **4thought.it.**  
**7.15 Baggage.** Gok Wan hosts a dating game in which contestants reveal their most peculiar secrets to potential partners, and as the game goes on, the truths get stranger. **(R)**  
**8.15 The World Cup.** Alan Carr, Sara Pascoe and Clive Anderson take on Micky Flanagan, Kevin Bridges and Stan Boardman as the comedy quiz tournament continues. Dame Tenant asks the questions.  
**9.15 The Million Pound Drop.** **Live.** Davina McCall presents the quiz show in which contestants can win £1 million but lose money for giving incorrect answers.  
**10.50 Film:** Predator. **(1987)** Sci-fi thriller, starring Arnold Schwarzenegger.  
**12.55 SuperCasino.** **4.00** HouseBusters. **(R) 4.25** Divine Design. **(R) 4.50** County Seats. **(R) 5.00** The Help. **(R) 5.10** The Milkshake Show. **(R) 5.35** Thomas & Friends. **(R) 5.45** Roary the Racing Car. **(R)**

## CHANNEL 5

**6.00 Milkshake!** **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.05** Toy Story 2. **11.15** Eddie Stobart Trucks and Trailers. **(R) 12.15** Film: Captain Horatio Hornblower RN. **(1951)** Naval adventure, starring Gregory Peck.  
**2.35 Film:** The Adventures of Robin Hood. **(1938)** Swashbuckling adventure, starring Errol Flynn.  
**3.15 Film:** Battle of the Bulge. **(1965)** Second World War drama, starring Robert Shaw.  
**7.40 Film:** Maverick. **(1994)** A gambler and a con woman join forces to raise enough money for them both to compete in a poker tournament, winning all-poker game. Comedy Western, with Mel Gibson and Jodie Foster.  
**10.00 CSI: Miami.** The team is called in to investigate the disappearance of a householder and his family from their suburban home – and makes a shocking discovery in the property's garage.  
**10.55 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.** TV cameras follow the CSIs for a reality crime series, putting everyone under pressure during a rape investigation. With Mark Harmon, P. Henson (The Curious Case of Benjamin Button). **(R)**  
**11.55 Inside Hollywood.** Magazine show, with location reports, news and views from behind the scenes.

## DIGITAL

**BBC Three**  
**7.00** Great Movie Mistakes **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** Live at the Apollo **10.00** Russell Howard: Right Here Right Now **11.00** Family Guy **11.45** American Dad!

**BBC Four**  
**7.00** Human Planet **8.00** Horizon: Asteroids – The Good, the Bad and the Ugly **9.00** Inspector Montalbano **10.50** Doris Day: Virgin Territory **11.50** 20th Century Battlefields

**ITV2**  
**3.30** The X Factor **4.35** The Xtra Factor **5.45** Film: King Ralph **(1991)** **7.40** Film: Dante's Peak **(1997)** **9.40** The Xtra Factor **10.40** Celebrity Juice **11.30** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Kingingly Big Hits

**ITV4**  
**3.55** Agatha Christie's Poirot **5.55** Murder, She Wrote **6.55** Foyle's War **9.00** Vera. **11.00** Crime Connections

**ITV5**  
**3.40** Film: Weekend at Bernie's **(1989)** **5.35** Film: You Only Live Twice **(1967)** **8.00** River Monsters **9.00** Film: Ticker **(2001)** **10.55** Film: This Is Spinal Tap **(1984)**

**E4**  
**3.10** Desperate Housewives **4.10** Revenge **5.10** How I Met Your Mother **6.10** The Big Bang Theory **7.10** Film: Ever After: A Cinderella Story **(1998)** **9.40** Film: Mr & Mrs Smith **(2005)**

**Film4**  
**2.40** Stormbreaker **(2006)** **4.30** Paper Moon **(1973)** **6.35** Speed 2: Cruise Control **(1997)** Action thriller sequel, starring Sandra Bullock.

**9.00** JFK **(1991)** New Orleans district attorney Jim Garrison pens his own investigation into the 1963 assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Drama, starring Kevin Costner and Gary Oldman.

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# Clive's transformation

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**C**LIVE was so afraid of the dentist he plucked up all of his courage and begged him to extract all of his teeth so that he'd never have problems ever again.

That was more than 20 years ago, but what the retired sales director didn't know was that his tooth troubles were far from over.

Following the extractions dentures were fitted and he no problems for a few years. It was a welcome break from the pain he had experienced and the catalogue of dental disasters he had endured.

But the natural ageing process began to take its toll and Clive experienced stability problems with the lower denture as his gums receded. For five years he endured the embarrassment of dentures,

sore spots on his gums and denying himself some of his favourite foods. "It took real determination to face up to the problem and the prospect of more dental work."

Clive recalls his first dental nightmare: Stationed at Malta while in the Royal Navy, he suddenly had raging toothache the night before he was due to play in a football match.

"I'd been drinking to dull the pain but as soon as I was back on board the duty dentists was summoned. He'd been drinking too and when he injected me with the anaesthetic he broke the needle.

"I eventually had to have an X-ray so he could find where the needle was. That was me finished. I'd do anything to avoid the dentist from there on."

In recent years Clive has had four den-

ture relines to help the stability issues, but none provided a long-term solution.

Flashing his new smile and laughing heartily, Clive adds: "Things were so bad that if I turned to the right my teeth would still be facing forward."

"I can't stress how big a deal it was for me to get things sorted. I was terrified, so when I saw a piece in the paper about Steven Burchell and suction denture technology, I agreed to see him."

Clive's gum erosion was too severe for the suction system to work effectively and he decided to have implant-retained dentures. He was referred by Mr Burchell Dip CDT RCS (Eng), whose Denture Clinic is based at the Parkdale Dental Clinic in Tettenhall Road, Wolverhampton, and North Street, Dudley, to implantologist Mr



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Jonathon Pugh BDS MSc. Mr Pugh, principal of the Parkdale practice, carried out the surgery and the prosthetics were hand-crafted by Mr Burchell.

Clive recalls the procedure. "I was dreading it, but all I felt was a sensation that Mr Pugh was rubbing my gums." Clive's wife, Margaret, adds: "It's true! I was allowed to sit in with Clive. We were both treated excellently."

Since having the implant-retained dentures, Clive has been able to bite into crispy apples and indulge himself with pork crackling. "I feel comfortable and confident, it's the best money I've ever spent and have recommended both Steve and Jon to friends."

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# What's On!

## SUNDAY'S TV 23.09.12

### CHOICE



Duncan Bannatyne

#### Dragons' Den

#### BBC2, 9pm

Children's ride-on suitcases, Trunkis have become a success since their invention by Rob Law a few years ago. However, Law's novel idea didn't exactly get off to great start when it was rejected by the Dragons in 2006 after Theo Paphitis broke one of the straps. However, for every Trunki, the Dragons can boast several successes, including Levi Roots' Reggae Reggae sauce, Rapstrap and iTeddy. This is perhaps why two Mancunian sisters who, like Law, were rejected when they appeared back in 2005 are looking for a second chance to impress.

### BBC1

**6.00 Breakfast.** **7.35** Match of the Day. (R) **9.00** The Andrew Marr Show. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Sunday Politics. **12.10** Live Formula 1: Singapore Grand Prix. **3.20** A Question of Sport: Extreme. (R) **4.00** Points of View. **4.15** Songs of Praise. **4.50** The Indian Doctor. (R) **5.35** Planet Earth Live: A Monkey's Tale. **6.35** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **7.00** Fake or Fortune? Proving a trio of paintings are the work of JMW Turner. **8.00** Countryfile. In an edition from Lochaber in the Highlands, Matt Baker enjoys a steam train journey, while Julia Bradbury learns about pioneering female farmers in the Victorian era, including Weather for the Week Ahead. **9.00** Andrew Marr's History of the World. New series. The journalist explores the global migrations that followed man's early beginnings in Africa and the agrarian and urban developments that led to our first civilisations. **10.00** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **10.25 Match of the Day 2.** Colin Murray reviews the day's Premier League action, including Liverpool v. Manchester United at Anfield and Manchester City v Arsenal at the Etihad Stadium. **11.55 Film:** With the Flynns. The family has a cash-flow problem. Last in the series. (R)

**12.25 Film:** Charlie & Boots. (2009) **2.00** Weatherview. **2.05** Sign Zone: Holby City. (R) **3.05** Good Cop. (R) **4.05** BBC News.

### BBC2

**6.00 CBeebies.** **7.00** CBBC. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen. (R) **11.30** The Great British Bake Off. (R) Weather for the Week Ahead. **12.35** Film: Seven Years in Tibet. (1997) **2.45** Escape to the Country. (R) **3.15** Cycling. **5.00** Rugby League. **6.00** Great Barrier Reef. Monty Halls explores Australia's underwater ecosystem. He looks at what's living at the coral reef's structure and the many species of wildlife that inhabit it. (R)

**7.00 Top Gear.** Jeremy Clarkson and Richard Hammond assist with the making of The Sweeney, while James May tests the Vauxhall Corsa VXR supercharging and updates Fiat Panda. With actor Ryan Reynolds. (R)

**8.00 Vikings.** Neil Oliver visits Russia, Turkey and Ireland to reveal how the Norse warriors established a trading empire, and explores the vast array of goods in which their merchants dealt. (R)

**9.00 Dragons' Den.** A horror writer gets a surprising reaction when he tries to scare the Dragons into backing him, and two sisters of recession try to impress the panel after being rejected in 2005.

**10.00 Mock the Week.** Greg Davies, Jo Caulfield and Gary Delaney join host Dara O Briain and regular panellists Chris Addison, Hugh Dennis and Andy Parsons for the satirical current affairs quiz. (R)

**10.30 Film:** Good. (2008) Drama, starring Viggo Mortensen and Jason Isaacs. **12.00 Film:** The Night Listener. (2006) **1.15** BBC News. **4.05 Close.**

### ITV1

**6.00 CITV:** **9.25** ITV News. **9.30** House Hunt. (R) **10.25** There's Not a Taste Like Home. (R) **11.30** The Hungry Galloway. (R) **12.30** TV News: Weather. **12.35** The Unforgettable Diana Dors. (R) **1.05** The X Factor. (R) **2.35** Dancing on Ice Live Tour 2012. **3.35** The Home of Fabulous Cakes. **4.30** Downton Abbey. (R)

**6.00 Regional Programme;** **6.15** The Hoobs.

**6.15 ITV News;** Weather.

**6.30 The Chase: Celebrity Special.** Tess Daly, Wright, Suzi Perry, Ian "H" Watkins and Crissy Rock try to win thousands of pounds for charity by outwitting one of the show's resident trivia experts. Bradley Walsh hosts. (R)

**7.00 The X Factor.** The remaining acts have one last chance to impress Gary Barlow, Nicole Scherzinger, Tulisa and Louis Walsh and win places in the judges' houses round of the competition.

**9.00 Downton Abbey.** Mary hopes to receive a bailout from Grantham to secure the estate's future. Mrs Hughes hears worrying news and O'Brien tries to boost Alfred's progress.

**10.15 ITV News;** Weather.

**10.20 William & Kate: The South Seas Tour.** Mary Nightingale travels with the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge as they return from their tour of the South Pacific leg of the Diamond Jubilee tour.

**11.15 Premiership Rugby Union.**

**12.00 The Store:** ITV News Headlines. **2.10** Golden Balls. (R) **3.00** Motorsport UK. **3.50** ITV Nightscreen. **5.30** ITV Morning News.

### CHANNEL 4

**6.05 Sali Mai.** (R) **6.10** The Hoobs. **6.35** Frommer 2012. **7.05** Freesports on 4. **7.30** The Johnson Family: True蓝色. (R) **8.00** Will & Grace. (R) **8.25** Will & Grace. (R) **8.55** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Frasier. (R) **10.00** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **1.00** The Simpsons. (R) **2.00** The Simpsons. (R) **2.30** Deal or No Deal. **3.30** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.45** Film: Journey to the Center of the Earth. (2008)

**6.20 Channel 4 News.**

**6.45 4Thought.itv.**

**6.55 The Political Slot.**

**7.00 Jimmy and the Whale Whisperer.** Farmer and wildlife enthusiast Jimmy Doherty meets the Caribbean island of Dominica to meet Andrew Armour, who claims to be able to communicate with sperm whales.

**8.00 Kevin McCloud's Man Made Home.** New series. The Grand Designs presenter builds a cabin using recycled materials.

**9.00 Big Fat Quiz of the 90s.** Phillip Jupitus, Jack Whitehall, Alan Davies, Clive Wiskerman and Denise Van Outen demonstrate how much they remember about the 1990s. Jimmy Carr asks the questions.

**10.35 Film:** Hitman. (2007) A genetically engineered assassin fails to complete his latest mission, but finds that he has become a target himself. Action thriller, starring Timothy Oliphant.

**12.25 Stalked. (R) 12.55 American Football Live.** **1.45** Brief Encounters of the Sporting Mind. (R) **5.10** Deal or No Deal. (R)

**6.00** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **7.05** Angelina Ballerina. **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** Disney's Train Ride. **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.10** Cowboy Builders. (R) **12.05** World's Scariest Flights. (R) **1.05** The Story of Light. **2.00** The Xtra Factor. **3.00** The Political Slot. **4.00** Film: Groundhog Day. (1993) **5.10** Film: Monsters, Inc. (2001) **7.05** Wilts and Kate: Baby Fever. Royal experts and insiders discuss the possibility of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge having a child, and speculate on how they might deal with the challenges of parenthood. (R)

**8.05 5 News Weekend.**

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**10.00 Film:** Tears of the Sun. (2003) Action drama, starring Bruce Willis.

**12.00 Saving Private Ryan.** The True Story. (R) **12.55** Casino. **4.00** Film: FB11. (R) **4.50** County Secrets. (R) **5.00** Hana's Headline. (R) **5.10** The Milkshake! Show. (R) **5.35** Thomas & Friends. (R) **5.45** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

### CHANNEL 5

**6.00 Milkshake! Peppa Pig.** **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Fit City and the Big Adventure. (R) **6.20** City of Friends. (R) **6.40** The Big Picture Show. (R) **6.50** Castle Farm. (R) **6.55** Abby's Flying Fairy School. (R) **7.05** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25 Play!** (R) **7.35** Noddy in Toyland. (R) **7.45** Bedtime Stories. (R) **7.55** Funky Town. (R) **8.00** Little Princess. (R) **8.10** The Adventures of Bottles Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.25** Angelina Ballerina. **8.45** Rupert Bear. (R) **9.00** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.10** Disney's Train Ride. **9.30** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **9.40** Jelly Jamm. (R) **10.00** Power Rangers Samurai. **10.35** Batman: The Brave and the Bold. **11.10** Cowboy Builders. (R) **12.05** World's Scariest Flights. (R) **1.05** The Story of Light. **2.00** The Xtra Factor. **3.00** The Political Slot. **4.00** Film: Groundhog Day. (1993) **5.10** Film: Monsters, Inc. (2001) **7.05** Wilts and Kate: Baby Fever. Royal experts and insiders discuss the possibility of the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge having a child, and speculate on how they might deal with the challenges of parenthood. (R)

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### DIGITAL

#### BBC Three

**7.00** Formula 1: Singapore Grand Prix Highlights. **8.00** Film: National Treasure. (2004) **10.00** Family Guy. **10.45** Bad Education. **11.15** Film: Surrogates (2009)

#### BBC Four

**7.00** Julia Bradbury's Canal Walks. **7.30** The Story of Light. **Entertainment 9.00** Let's Have a Party! The Piano Genius of Mrs Mills. **10.00** Film: Father of My Children. **11.45** British Passions on Film

#### ITV2

**2.30** Film: King Ralph (1991) **4.30** Indiana Jones & the X-Files. **7.00** Film: The Xtra Factor. **9.00** The Xtra Factor. **10.00** Film: The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor (2008)

#### ITV3

**5.05** Film: Mutiny on the Buses (1972) **7.00** Lewis. A student Shakespeare production ends in murder. **9.00** Film: Mermaids (1990) **11.15** Cracker

#### ITV4

**11.00** British Touring Car Championship. Coverage of round eight at Rockingham. **6.00** Minder. **7.00** The Swede. **8.00** Premiership Rugby Union. **9.00** Car Crime UK. **10.00** Film: Driven to Kill (2009) **E4** **3.05** Charlie's Angels 4.00 New Girl. **4.30** Suburgatory. **4.55** Revenge. **5.55** The Big Bang Theory. **7.45** Film: Grease (1978) **10.00** The Inbetweeners. **11.00** New Girl. **Film 4** **3.05** Sister Act (1992) **5.05** To Catch a Thief (1955) **7.15** The Golden Child (1986) **9.00** Beverly Hills Cop (1984) Comedy thriller, starring Eddie Murphy. **11.05** Snake in the Eagle's Shadow (1978)

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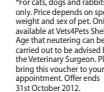
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## What's On!

### Film Choices

#### MONDAY

Fearless, ITV1, 10.35pm

A respected fighter in China at the turn of the 20th century returns from self-imposed exile with the intention of passing on his knowledge. Wary of his status as a national hero, foreign powers based in China challenge him to enter a tournament so their own champions can destroy him. Martial arts adventure, based on a true story, starring Jet Li and Shido Nakamura. In Mandarin, Japanese and English. (2006)

#### TUESDAY

The Break-Up, ITV1, 10.35pm

A thirtysomething couple's seemingly perfect relationship deteriorates into a series of petty squabbles. But once they decide to call it a day, another problem presents itself – neither is willing to give up their home, forcing the pair to carry on living together, while each hopes the other will be driven away first. Comedy drama, starring Jennifer Aniston, Vince Vaughn, Jon Favreau and Joey Lauren Adams. (2006)

#### WEDNESDAY

Lakeview Terrace, Channel 5, 11pm

A bigoted police officer appoints himself guardian of his suburban neighbourhood. When a mixed-race couple move into the house next door, his disapproval of their relationship leads him to begin a campaign of intimidation against them that spirals into violence. Neil LaBute's thriller, starring Samuel L Jackson, Patrick Wilson, Kerry Washington and Ron Glass. (2008)



Quantum of Solace, Friday, ITV1, 10.35pm

#### THURSDAY

Separated by Murder, Channel 5, 3.05pm

Identical twin sisters who have always had a close relationship are jailed separately after being convicted of conspiring to murder one of their husbands, forcing them to cope without each other for the first time. Fact-based drama, starring Sharon Gless in a dual role alongside Steve Railsback, Ed Bruce and Mark W Johnson. (1994)

#### FRIDAY

Quantum of Solace, ITV1, 10.35pm

James Bond sets out on a personal mission of vengeance as he pursues the secretive criminal organisation Quantum. His search leads him to the head of an ecological corporation, who is plotting to orchestrate a coup in a Latin American country to get his hands on a precious natural resource. Spy thriller sequel, starring Daniel Craig, Olga Kurylenko, Judi Dench, Gemma Arterton and Mathieu Amalric. (2008)

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### Pick of the Week

## Nigella returns to dish up another tasty treat

**S**he's been off our screens for a while now, but it's probably fair to say that Nigella Lawson has inspired a whole new generation of eager cooks – whether they would be mostly of the male variety because of her, shall we say, descriptive methods of demonstration = but however she's done it, the Beeb's number one food lady is a wealth of knowledge when it comes to all things tasty.

Through her endless well-thought-out telly offerings and a number of recipe books over the years, Nigella has given us reason to stop cowering behind our cheesecake when meal-time conversation inevitably turns to who will be the next poor soul to host festivities.

This time around, in *Nigellissima* (Monday, BBC2, 8.30pm), the cook is presenting a guide to Italian cuisine, keen to demonstrate how traditional and exciting meals needn't be a chore to knock up, and can actually use ingredients that

are widely available in most supermarkets. It seems like we're fast running out of excuses for slobbing out on the sofa and ordering takeaways.

The kitchen set in which she will be working her magic has been purposefully built and modelled entirely on her own kitchen at home, so she's bound to be a dab-hand, right? Not that that was ever in doubt.

She recently explained, on her website blog, the reasons for building a replica kitchen for the programme, rather than simply using her own – and new kitchen, which would have led to film in it. But with one child doing GCSEs, another AS exams and yet another A-levels, it would not have been a good idea – or even possible. So we built a copy of my kitchen on set and it feels just like home."

That's just as well because Nigella prides herself on her home-cooking being suitable for bringing together even the busiest of families.

But what has inspired her to choose Italian food to base this latest series around? This isn't Nigella's first taste of the country, as she explains: "When I went to live in Italy when young, I said I'd do anything but clean lavatories; as a chambermaid in Florence, that is what I ended up doing! But I also learned about real Italian food, and by the time I'd left I had found my spiritual and gastronomic home."

"I wanted to make a series of my sort of Italian food, inspired by the ethos and the ingredients, but fused with the way we live our lives, here, in the UK. I care about ease and accessibility, but I care most about passion and taste – and it is these crucial Italian factors I want to bring to the table and the television!"

And first up on the menu is Sicilian pasta with tomatoes, garlic and almonds, a family feast of tagliata and Tuscan fries, and a fiery egg dish designed for late-night parties... so good we can almost taste it.

Welcome back Nigella!



Nigella Lawson presents *Nigellissima*, Monday, BBC2, 8.30pm

### Best of the Rest

#### MONDAY

Leaving  
ITV1, 9pm

Come September, the nights might be showing signs of drawing in all too early, and the kids might be whining about starting school again, but in broadcasting terms, for ITV it means it's the start of a brand new season of fantastic dramas. Of course this latest offering from the pen of Tony Marchant has been no exception. His dramas aren't known for being light-hearted, cheery affairs, the more taboo the better, and he outdid himself with this three-part. Alas, like all good things, it must come to an end. In this final instalment, Maxine visits Aaron to ask him to leave her family alone, while Julie realises the liaison must end.

#### TUESDAY

The Paradise  
BBC1, 9pm

ITV1 will soon be bringing us Mr Selfridge, but the BBC has just pipped them to the post in the department store-related-drama stakes with this new series. Based on the novel by Emilia Zola, but transported to the north of 19th-century England, it tells the tale of Denise Lovett (Joanna Vanderham), an ambitious country girl who takes a job in Britain's first department store. She soon finds herself falling in love with both the opulent surroundings and the dashing, reckless owner John Moray (Emun Elliott). With Sarah Lancashire and Patrick Malahide also among the cast, *The Paradise* looks like a very classy establishment.

#### The Boy Who Can't Forget

Channel 4, 9pm

Leaving your teenage years behind can be daunting enough – heading into your twenties brings with it a certain sense of responsibility after all. Imagining on top of all that possessing the as-yet inexplicable talent of being able to recall years-old memories in such a detailed fashion that you're considered a phenomenon. Twenty-year-old Aurelien knows it only too well, and is the first Briton to go public with the unbelievable trait. Aurelien is put to the test by eight-time world memory champion Dominic O'Brien, and examined by memory expert Professor Giuliana Mazzoni. This ability is known as superior autobiographical memory – but just how can seemingly ordinary people have such power that we didn't believe it possible humans could possess?

#### WEDNESDAY

Who Do You Think You Are?  
BBC1, 9pm

Over the past 50 plus years, Coronation Street has been more than just an ITV serial. Like fish and chips and Blackpool rock, it's been part of British life, and at the heart of it, one man: Ken Barlow. Taking a break from Weatherfield, William Roache delves into his family's history for episode seven of the hit genealogy show. It proves to



The Paradise, Tuesday, BBC1, 9pm

be an emotional journey for the veteran actor as he discovers revelations about his grandfather, Albert; why his mum Hester left Blackpool when she was three months old, and how his family was held together by his grandmother, Zillah Waddicor. Plus, he also discovers his great-grandad's 'shocking' business which helped Victorian clients on Blackpool's seafront.

#### Drugs Live: The Ecstasy Trial

Channel 4, 10pm

One imagines that if any TV programme were to carry the caveat of 'don't try this at home' it's this one. Presented by Dr Christian Jessen and Jon Snow, this revealing documentary really does do exactly what it says on the tin – the hosts invite a range of volunteers into a controlled environment where they will take MDMA (the purest form of Ecstasy). They will be monitored, of course – scientists David Nutt and Val Curran are on-hand to explore the effects, side-effects and long-term consequences for users.

#### THURSDAY

Homefront  
ITV1, 9pm

The X Factor may get the headlines, but

ITV1's drama output has been quietly excelling over the past month or so. The channel has brought us Mrs Biggs, A Mother's Son, Leaving and The Bletchley Circle, and this promising new series looks set to keep up the standard. With an impressive cast, it focuses on a group of military wives who are struggling to keep the home fires burning while their husbands are serving overseas. The first episode reminds us of what's at stake as Tasha (Anthonia Thomas) discovers her husband Matt has been killed in action. Claire (Claire Skinner) faces her first big test as she discovers that being the fiancée of Major Pete Bartham (Greg Wise) brings with it certain responsibilities.

#### FRIDAY

Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Denise Welch  
ITV1, 9pm

Actress Denise Welch first shot to fame in Soldier Soldier and Coronation Street, but if the press reports can be believed, at times she's seemed like a one-woman soap opera. Not only have viewers got used to seeing her chatting frankly on shows such as Loose Women and Celebrity Big Brother – which she won earlier this year – but various aspects of her personal life have been splashed across the papers as well. So, we should probably expect a very candid edition of *Life Stories* as she talks to Piers about her decision to announce her 24-year marriage to fellow actor Tim Healy live on TV, as well as her recent engagement to toyboy Lincoln Towney.

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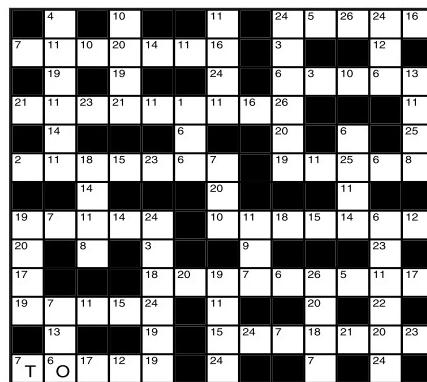
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**What's On!****Brain Gym**

No.187

**Codeword**

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

I	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
E	K	D	H	T	Q	L	W	M	O	X	C	P

**Double Crossword**

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

**Cryptic Clues:****Across**

- It's no good, being despondent (8)
- Customs applications (4)
- Thought I'd get an early start (4)
- A greedy animal in many a wood (8)
- Cheap cuts? (5)
- Result of heavenly intervention? (7)
- If they work, they help the rest (8,5)
- Surprise shots in a melee (8)
- Ridicules the tent supports (4)
- Such twins were once inseparable (7)
- Non-clerical people have a song about it (5)
- Call for a napkin? (4)
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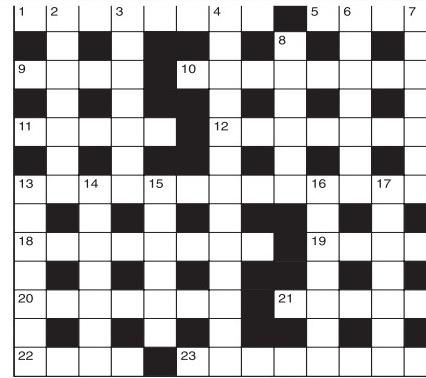
- It could be first or second (7)
- Model, formerly fat? (7)
- Disagree in a capital way (5,4,4)
- Knife that is a brave trophy to the Spanish (7)
- It's shown by a person who's retiring (7)
- Put away the chart and attend (4,2)
- Possibly spares around Rumania's capital are more scarce (7)
- Board transport in the middle of a violent rainstorm (7)
- Written in captivity (6)
- It's inherent in cereal (7)
- Worn in early life, yet late perhaps (7)
- Speech (7)
- Exact (7)
- Garrulity (13)
- Of the skull (7)
- Landscape (7)
- Come back (6)
- Opening anthem (7)
- Screw up (7)
- Postpone (7)
- Unruly (7)

**Quick Clues:****Across**

- Finished (8)
- Deeds (4)
- Labyrinth (4)
- Estrange (8)
- Polite (5)
- Reviling (7)
- On purpose (13)
- In company (8)
- Cheek (4)
- Result (7)
- Odd (5)
- Air (4)
- Amaze (8)

**Down**

- Speech (7)
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**Sudoku**

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Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS &gt;

9	4	3	6	5	2	1	8	7
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4	3	9	2	6	7	8	1	5
1	7	5	8	3	9	6	2	4

LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS:  
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Airing; 4 Either; 9 Rousing chorus; 10 Everest; 11 Robin; 12 Steps; 14 Stair; 18 Lower; 19 Subject; 21 Steering wheel; 22 Relays; 23 Usages. Down: 1 Agreed; 2 Roulette wheel; 3 Naive; 5 Inheret; 6 Hard-boiled egg; 7 Rising; 8 Agate; 13 Portray; 15 Closer; 16 Using; 17 Stills; 20 Bowls. QUICK - Across: 1 Flight; 4 Pamper; 9 Expostulation; 10 Torment; 11 Dwell; 12 Quell; 14 Unfit; 18 Urban; 19 Decline; 21 Subject-matter; 22 Events; 23 Starry. Down: 1 Plenty; 2 Imperturbable; 3 Haste; 5 Abandon; 6 P-Practitioner; 7 Range; 8 Drift; 13 Lentil; 15 Pursue; 16 Title; 17 Hearty; 20 Chart.

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#### 25 SOMERFORD PLACE, WILLENHALL

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**Guide: £93,000/£98,000**

**VIEWING:  
THURSDAY & FRIDAY, 20th &  
21st SEPTEMBER @ 12 noon**



#### 57 CENTRAL DRIVE, COSELEY

A large immaculately presented First Floor Flat overlooking an open green and with the benefit of Garden to the rear.

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**Guide: £59,000/£64,000**

**VIEWING: FRIDAY 21st SEPTEMBER @ 1 pm  
& SATURDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER @ 12.30 pm**



#### 24 ST JUDES ROAD WEST, NEWBRIDGE, WOLVERHAMPTON

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**Guide: £73,000/£78,000**

**VIEWING: THURSDAY 20th SEPTEMBER @ 1.00 pm  
& SATURDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER @ 11.30 am**



#### 70/70A WROTTESLEY ROAD, TETTENHALL

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**VIEWING: THURSDAY 20th  
SEPTEMBER @ 1.45 pm & SATURDAY  
22nd SEPTEMBER @ 10.30 am**



#### 82 CROSS ROAD, ALBRIGHTON

A short distance from the centre of this attractive and popular village which offers most amenities. A Three Bedroom Semi overlooking open fields and with pleasant Rear Garden Improvement/modernisation needed

**Guide: £93,000/£98,000**

**VIEWING: THURSDAY 20th SEPTEMBER @ 3.00 pm  
& SATURDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER @ 9.30 am**



#### 131 WINDSOR AVENUE, PENN

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**Guide: £93,000/£98,000**

**VIEWING: FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 21st & 22nd  
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#### 100 LESLIE ROAD, PARK VILLAGE, WOLVERHAMPTON

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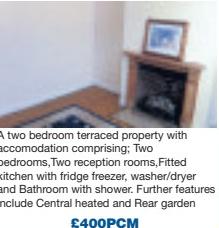


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- Gas central heating
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- Enclosed rear garden with shower

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- En-suite bathroom with shower
- Spacious refined breakfast kitchen with integrated oven and hob

**£149,500 VIEWING ESSENTIAL****NEW INVENTION  
TAVERNS CLOSE**

- Pleasantly appointed modern style semi detached house
- One bedroom
- En-suite bathroom with shower
- Gas central heating, upvc double glazed windows

**£87,950 OFFERS, VIEWING RECOMMENDED****BENTLEY, WALSALL  
CUNNINGHAM ROAD**

- Pleasantly appointed extended semi detached property
- Three bedrooms, one with built-in wardrobes
- Gas central heating system
- UPVC double glazed windows
- Spacious 19ft through lounge

**£110,000 OFFERS, VIEWING RECOMMENDED****COPPICE FARM  
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**EDWARDS MOORE**

Estate House, Darwall Street,  
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**01922 615222**

For Sale by public auction on  
**Wednesday 10th October @ 6.30pm.**

To be held at Banks's Stadium Bescot Crescent, Walsall,  
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**Auction**

Wednesday 10th  
October at 6.30pm  
precisely  
**Venue**

Banks's Stadium, Bescot  
Crescent, Walsall

**Lot 1** 111 Lord Street,  
Walsall, WS1 4DR

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 11.45am



Victorian mid terraced residence comprising: Lounge,  
Rear Living Room, Inner Hallway, Kitchen Two  
Bedrooms, Bathroom. Fore and Rear Gardens  
**Guide Price £50,000-£60,000**

**Lot 2** 90 Woodhouses Road,  
Burntwood, Staffs, WS7 9EJ.

Viewing: Saturday 29th September at 12.00 pm and Wednesday 3rd October at 11.00 am



A detached cottage situated on a pleasant country lane on the outskirts of Burntwood. Reception Hall, Through Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Fore and Rear Gardens.

**Guide Price £130,000-£150,000**

**Lot 3** 174 Swan Gardens, Erdington, B23 6QQ

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers on 0121-289-3838



Residential Investment situated close to the centre of Erdington. Ground floor studio currently let at £375.00 per calendar month on a 6 month Assured Shorthold Tenancy commencing 14th September 2012 comprising Living/Bedroom, Kitchen and Bathroom

**Guide Price £28,000-£38,000**

**Lot 4** 19 Park Road, Hammerwich,  
Burntwood, WS7 0EE

Viewing: 22nd September at 11.00 am, 26th September at 12.00 pm, 6th October at 11.00 am



A modern link detached bungalow residence with the benefit of gas fired central heating (not tested) and double glazing situated in a quiet well respected location within a short distance of Burntwood town. Set back from the road behind a block paved driveway affording off street parking approached via double gates the property comprises Large Utility/Store Room, Kitchen, Lounge, Inner Hallway, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Conservatory, Rear Garden.

**Guide Price £90,000-£100,000**

**Lot 5** 20 Botany Road,  
Walsall, WS5 4ND

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 12.15pm



Traditionally styled semi detached residence. The property was formally three bedrooed but could be converted with little expenditure and offers an ideal opportunity for first time buyers/moving up. Comprising: Fully Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Kitchen, Lobby, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Conservatory, Rear Garden.

**Guide Price £65,000-£75,000**

**Lot 6** Land Cricket Close,  
Walsall, WS5 3PU



Freehold land situated just off Birmingham Road as described in office copy entry title number WM525071 which consists of an adopted road together with two small plots, one being 10m x 11m and 3 Cricket Close, the other being 10m x 11m and 11 Cricket Close. These partial rights of way lead to allotments which are currently unused and one of these access points needs to be retained.

**Guide Price £10,000-£15,000**

**Lot 7** 37 Birchfield Way,  
Walsall, WS5 4EA

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers on 01922 615222



A traditionally styled semi detached property with part double glazing and part central heating for which CASH OFFERS are required. Comprising: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, Side Hall, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Separate W.C.

**Guide Price £55,000-£65,000**

**Lot 8** 7 Circuit Close,  
Willenhall, WV13 1EB

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 10.30 am



Purpose built first floor studio flat set in a popular residential development comprising Lounge, Kitchen, Shower Room.

**Guide Price £28,000-£34,000**

**Lot 9** 2 Whitehead Drive,  
Sutton Coldfield, B76 9AN

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers on 0121 289 3838



A traditional style mid terraced house. The property offers spacious family accommodation and comprises of the following: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen Three Bedrooms, Box Room, Bathroom, Fore and Rear Garden.

**Guide Price £100,000-£120,000**

**Lot 10** 128a Chase Road,  
Burntwood, Staffs, WS7 0DT

Viewing: Saturday 22nd September at 12.00 pm, Wednesday 26th September at 11.00 am and Saturday 6th October at 12.00 pm



A two bedroom link detached bungalow with garage in convenient location. Enclosed Porch, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Inner Hallway, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Dining Room, Kitchen, Garage, Fore and Rear Gardens.

**Guide Price £90,000-£110,000**

**Lot 11** 3 Wats Drive, Oswestry,  
Shropshire, SY11 1ET

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneer on 0121 289 3838



A well appointed two bedroom detached bungalow, conveniently located and comprising: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Separate W.C., Fore and Rear Gardens, Utility Store.

**Guide Price £70,000-£90,000**

**Lot 12** 19 Penryn Road,  
Walsall, WS5 3EU

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneers on 01922 615222



A modern detached residence offering well planned spacious accommodation comprising: Entrance Hall, Dining Room, Lounge, Conservatory, Inner Lobby, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Separate Shower Room, Separate W.C. Garage, Fore and Rear Garden.

**Guide Price £150,000-£160,000**

**Lot 13** 5 Roundhill Way,  
Brownhills, WS8 7PW

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 9.45 am



A three bedroom semi detached property situated within a short distance of M6 toll road comprising: Enclosed Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Part tiled Shower Room, Fore, Side and Rear Gardens with Separate Garage.

**Guide Price £70,000-£80,000**

**Lot 14** 43 Martingale Close,  
Walsall, WS5 4QB

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 12.45pm



Three bedroom link detached property with central heating and double glazing and comprising Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, W.C., Kitchen, Lounge, Dining Room, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Garage Fore and Rear Garden.

**Guide Price £100,000-£120,000**

**Lot 15** 46a Jerome Road,  
Walsall, WS2 9SX

Viewing: 20th, 25th September and 5th October all at 11.00 am



A traditionally styled semi-detached dwelling house set in an elevated position on the Alumwell estate in Walsall, this property is in need of complete modernisation and improvement with attention to rear garden being essential comprising: Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Side Lobby and Cloakroom, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Fore and Rear Gardens.

**Guide Price £45,000-£55,000**

**Lot 16** 545 Kingsbury Road,  
Erdington, B24 9NJ

Viewing: Strictly by appointment through Auctioneer on 0121 289 3838



This traditionally styled semi detached property is in need of full modernisation and improvement and is situated in a popular and sought after residential area and offers tremendous scope and improvement. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Side Lobby, Three Bedrooms, Bathroom, Fore and Rear Gardens.

**Guide Price £50,000-£60,000**



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**Bloxwich**  
**Stuart Street**

- Three Bedroom End-Terrace
- Two Reception Rooms
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Separate W.C.
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Gas Central Heating
- DHSS Accepted, No Pets or Smokers

£550 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Gallery Square**

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge
- Bathroom
- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- Heating
- Sorry no DHSS

£475 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Paddington Walk**

- Two Bedroom End-Terrace
- Lounge Kitchen/Diner
- Cloakroom W.C.
- Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Glazing
- Central Heating

£450 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Rockingham Close**

- Two Bedroom Flat
- Communal Entrance
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Allocated Parking in Courtyard
- Bathroom
- DHSS Accepted

£430 PCM

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**Moxhill Close**

- One Bedroom Flats
- New Fitted Kitchen
- New Fitted bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Central Heating
- DHSS Accepted

£325 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Revival Street**

- Four Bedroom Detached
- Kitchen ● Through Lounge / Diner
- Bedroom En-Suite ● Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating ● Double Glazing
- Garage & Driveway ● Sorry no DHSS

£750 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Tintern Crescent**

- Three Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge ● Kitchen
- Kitchen Conservatory
- Bathroom ● Off Road Parking
- Sorry No DHSS

£495 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Blackthorne Road**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge ● Kitchen ● Family Bathroom
- Part Central Heated
- Double Glazing ● Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens ● Sorry No DHSS

£495 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Foster Street**

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- One Reception Room
- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing ● Rear Garden
- Off Road Parking ● DHSS Accepted

£475 PCM



**Walsall**  
**School Lofts, Cecil Street**

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge ● Shower Room
- Kitchen ● Allocated Parking
- Intercom Access
- Sorry No DHSS, Pets or Smokers

£475 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Kent Street**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge ● Kitchen ● Cloakroom W.C.
- Family Bathroom ● Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Driveway ● DHSS Accepted

£475 PCM



**Walker Road**  
**Blakenhall Heath & Guild Court**

- Two Bedroom Apartments
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing & DHSS Accepted

From £450 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Cairns Street**

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Being Refurbished throughout
- Kitchen ● Family Bathroom
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Rear Garden ● DHSS Accepted

£450 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Gurney Road**

- Two Bedroom End Terrace
- Lounge ● Kitchen
- Bathrooms
- Downstairs W.C. ● Garden
- Garage ● DHSS Accepted

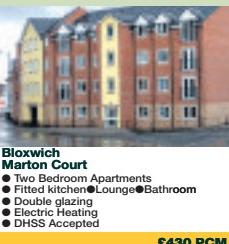
£450 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Creswell Crescent**

- Three Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge ● Fitted Kitchen Double Glazing
- Upstairs Bathroom with Shower
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking ● DHSS Accepted

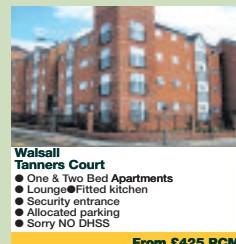
£440 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Marton Court**

- Two Bedroom Apartments
- Fitted Kitchen ● Lounge ● Bathroom
- Double Glazing
- Electric Heating
- DHSS Accepted

£430 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Tanners Court**

- One & Two Bed Apartments
- Lounge ● Fitted Kitchen
- Security entrance
- Allocated parking
- Sorry No DHSS

From £425 PCM



**Walsall**  
**West Bromwich Road**

- Two Bedrooms
- Reception Room
- Lounge/Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Garden ● Sorry No DHSS

£425 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Duchess Road**

- One Bedroom Town House
- Lounge ● Kitchen ● Bathroom
- Electric Storage Heating
- Double Glazing ● Front Garden
- Off Road Parking to the Front

£400 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Crown Lofts**

- Modern Studio Flat
- Fitted Kitchen
- Shower Room
- Hanging Laundry
- Sorry No DHSS

£375 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Harrison Street**

- One Bedroom Flat
- Lounge ● Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- Electric heating
- DHSS Accepted

£350 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Moat Road**

- One Flat above retail premises
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Shower Room
- DHSS Accepted

£350 PCM



**Bloxwich**  
**Wolverhampton Road**

- One Bedroom Flat
- Lounge ● Kitchen
- Shower Room ● Loft Bedroom
- Double Glazing
- DHSS Accepted

£325 PCM



**Rushall**  
**Linfield Road**

- One Bedroom Flats
- Lounge ● Kitchen
- Bathroom ● Double Glazing
- Electric Heating
- DHSS Accepted

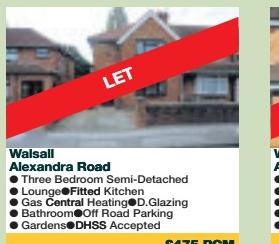
£300 PCM



**Rushall**  
**Rough Brook Road**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Kitchen ● Lounge ● Diner ● Bathroom
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- Garage with Off Road Parking
- Sorry No DHSS, Pets or Smokers

£575 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Alexandra Road**

- Three Bedroom Semi-Detached
- Lounge ● Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazing
- Bathroom ● Off Road Parking
- Gardens ● DHSS Accepted

£475 PCM



**Walsall**  
**Alderley Crescent**

- Two Bedroom Terrace
- Lounge ● Fitted Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Off Road Parking
- Rear Garden ● Sorry no DHSS

£450 PCM

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<b>MARKE PLACE, WILLENHALL</b> Recently Refurbished Two Bed First Floor Flat Located In Willenhall Town Centre Comprising Of Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen Diner, Modern Bathroom With Shower, Two Good Sized Bedrooms, Double Glazing, Electric Heating And Laminate Flooring Throughout.	<b>THE PINNACLE, WILLENHALL</b> Modern 13th Floor Two Bed Apartment Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Separate Bathroom & Shower Room, Two Good Sized Bedrooms, Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen, D/Glazing, Electric Heating, Secure Gated Parking And A Secure Entrance Intercom.	<b>VICTORIA STREET, WILLENHALL</b> Two Bed Mid-Terrace Property Comprising Of Two Reception Rooms, Good Sized Breakfast Kitchen With Integrated Appliances, Two Double Bedrooms And A Large Family Bathroom With Shower, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Small Fore Garden And A Good Sized Rear Garden.	<b>RUGELEY AVENUE, NEW INVENTION</b> Two Bed Town House Comprising Of Entrance Hall, Large Through Lounge Diner, Extended Fitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Modern Family Bathroom With Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Small Fore Garden And A Private Enclosed Rear Garden With Brick Built Store.	<b>RESERVOIR ST, WALSALL</b> Extended Two Bedroom Semi Having Lounge, Fitted Kitchen, Sun Room/Utility Extension, Central Heating, Double Glazing And Large Driveway.	<b>PRINCETHORPE ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Spacious Three Bedroom Three Storey Modern Town House Having Kitchen/Diner, Lounge, Three Generous Bedrooms, Two En-Suites, Shower Room, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Garage And Driveway.	<b>NORTON GREEN LANE, NORTON</b> Three Bed Detached Bungalow Having Lounge, Fitted Breakfast Kitchen, Separate Utility, Groundfloor W.C, Additional Playroom, Four Generous Bedrooms, The Master Having A Walk In Wardrobe And En-Suite, Family Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Enclosed Rear Garden.	<b>HIGH ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Extended Four Bed Semi, Two Reception Rooms, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Separate Utility, Groundfloor W.C, Additional Playroom, Four Generous Bedrooms, The Master Having A Walk In Wardrobe And En-Suite, Family Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Enclosed Rear Garden.
£425 PCM	£450PCM	£475 PCM	£500 PCM	£500 PCM	£625 PCM	£695 PCM	£695 PCM
<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>
<b>HAWKFORD CRES, W-TON</b> Three Bed Semi Detached Property, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Fitted Bathroom, Off Road Parking, Rear Garden, Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating.	<b>ALBION ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Two Bed Semi, Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor WC, Cellar, Two Double Bedrooms And First Floor Bathroom, Secure Gated Off Road Parking And Rear Garden, The Property Is In Need Of Some Modernisation Ideal First Time Buy Or Buy To Let Purchase.	<b>RYDAL CLOSE, WEDNESFIELD</b> Well Presented One Bedromm First Floor Maisonette Comprising Of Entrance Hallway, Utility Area, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom And Modern Fitted Bathroom, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Rear Garden.	<b>BRERETON RD, NEW INVENTION</b> A Modern And Spacious Second Floor Flat Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Large Double Bedroom, Utility Area, Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Double Bedroom And Communal Garden. MUST VIEW.	<b>REMINGTON ROAD, BESCHOT</b> Large Three Bed Semi Detached Property, Three Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Bathrooms, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Modern Fitted Kitchen, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Communal Garden. IDEAL BUY TO LET OR FIRST TIME BUY.	<b>LOWE AVENUE, DARLASTON</b> Three Bed Terraced Property Having Lounge, Spacious Kitchen/Diner, Groundfloor WC, Study, Three Bedrooms, Modern Fitted Bathroom With Separate Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating Rear Garden & Driveway.	<b>BENTLEY LANE, WILLENHALL</b> A Three Bedroom Semi-Detached Property In Need Of Some Modernisation, Comprising Of Lounge, Spacious Kitchen/Diner, Rear Lean To, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage, Majority Double Glazing, Central Heating And Driveway.	<b>STAFFORD ROAD, DARLASTON</b> Three Bed Semi Detached House, Built Two Bed Semi, Spacious Lounge/Reception Area, Fitted Kitchen, Ground Floor WC, First Floor Kitchen, Double Bedroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Off Road Parking, Rear Garden, Ideal First Time Buy, Two Available.
£56,950	£69,995	£69,995	£69,995	£79,950 ONO	£84,995	£89,995	£89,995
<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>
<b>SQUIRES GROVE, WILLENHALL</b> Well Presented Modern First Floor Apartment In A Sought After Location, Two Bedrooms, Lounge/Diner, Fitted Kitchen, Family Bathroom, En-Suite, Electric Heating, D/Glazing, Allocated Parking.	<b>LATIMER STREET, WILLENHALL</b> Spacious Semi Detached Property Located Close To Willenhall Town Centre. The Property Comprises Of Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Area, Downstairs WC, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Detached Garage & Generous Garden.	<b>RUDGE CLOSE, WILLENHALL</b> Well Presented And Extended Three Bed Mid Townhouse Having UPVC Entrance Porch, Modern Fitted Kitchen Diner, Two Reception Rooms, Three Bedrooms And Shower Room, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating, Enclosed Rear Garden.	<b>KENNEDY CRESCENT, DARLASTON</b> Well Presented Three Bed Semi Having Lounge, Spacious Kitchen/Diner, Downstairs Bathroom, Three Good Sized Bedroom, Upstairs Good Room, UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating And Off Road Parking.	<b>DEVON ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Immaculately Presented Two Bed Semi, Spacious Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Luxury Fitted Kitchen, Double Glazing, C/Heating, Off Road Parking, Great First Time Buy. Must View.	<b>RAVENSCROFT ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Considerably Improved Two Bed Semi, Spacious Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Double Glazing, C/Heating, Detached Garage, Driveway, UPVC Double Glazing And Gas Central Heating.	<b>CHATSWORTH CLOSE, WILLENHALL</b> Well Presented Modern Two Bed Semi Having Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Conservatory, Two Bedrooms, Refitted Bathroom With Jacuzzi Bath, Detached Garage, Driveway, UPVC Double Glazing And Gas Central Heating.	<b>LICHFIELD RD, WEDNESFIELD</b> Traditional Three Terraced Comprising Of Entrance Porch, Hallway, Lounge, Open Plan Kitchen/Pantry/Sitting Room, Conservatory, Spacious Bathroom And Three Good Sized Bedrooms, C/Heating, UPVC D/Glazing
£89,995	£92,995 ONO	£99,500	£99,995 ONO	£104,995	£107,995	£115,995	£117,995
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<b>STUBBY LANE, WEDNESFIELD</b> Well Presented Three Bed Traditional Semi Detached, Spacious Lounge, Kitchen Diner, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, C/Heating, Double Length Driveway, Large Rear Garden, Popular Location.	<b>QUEENS LEA, WILLENHALL</b> Immaculately Presented Extended Three Bed End Terrace, Spacious Lounge, Refitted Kitchen Opening Into Large Utility/Diner, Groundfloor W.C., Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Enclosed Rear Garden And Tarmacadam Driveway.	<b>CHATSWORTH CL, WILLENHALL</b> Immaculately Presented Extended Three Bed End Terrace, Spacious Lounge, Open Plan Breakfast Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Groundfloor W.C., Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Double Glazing, Enclosed Rear Garden And Off Road Parking.	<b>DURHAM AVENUE, WILLENHALL</b> Well Presented Three Bed Semi Having Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Open Plan Breakfast Kitchen/Diner, Utility, Groundfloor W.C., Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Enclosed Rear Garden And Off Road Parking.	<b>RADSTOCK RD, NEW INVENTION</b> Two Bed Semi, Having Spacious Lounge, Fitted Kitchen With Breakfast Bar, Two Double Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Detached Garage, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Off Road Parking, Sought After Location.	<b>WILLENHALL STREET, DARLASTON</b> Well Presented Four Bed Semi Detached, Spacious Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, Utility Area, W.C. Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Block Paved Driveway, Garage.	<b>LICHFIELD RD, NEW INVENTION</b> Two Three Bed Much Improved Semi Detached Having Lounge, Spacious Modern Breakfast Kitchen, Utility, Groundfloor W.C. Groundfloor Bed Three Study, Two Double Bedrooms Upstairs & Stylish Refitted Shower Room, D/Glazing, C/Heating And Creteprint Driveway.	<b>RADSTOCK RD, NEW INVENTION</b> Three Bedroom Semi, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Fitted Bathroom, Two Receptions, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Creteprint Driveway, Garage.
£119,995	£124,995	£124,995	£129,950	£129,995	£134,995	£139,995	£142,000
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<b>JOHN RILEY DRIVE, WILLENHALL</b> Well Presented Detached Property, Having Lounge, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Three Bedrooms, Family Bathroom, Garage And Gardens. The Property Also Benefits From C/Heating And D/Glazing.	<b>ADA WRIGHTON CL, NEW INV</b> Immaculately Presented Three Bed Link Detached Having Entrance Hallway, Downstairs WC, Large Through Lounge/Diner, Fitted Kitchen, Utility, Three Bedrooms, Shower Room And Garage (Storage Only), UPVC D/Glazing, C/Heating And Full Width Double Garage.	<b>CANNOCK RD, NEW INVENTION</b> Detached Property Having Fitted Kitchen, Spacious Lounge, Three Bedrooms, Fitted Bathroom, Garage And Large Gardens. The Property Also Benefits From C/Heating And D/Glazing.	<b>HARPER STREET, WILLENHALL</b> A Modern Three Storey Three Bed Townhouse Having Fitted Kitchen, Groundfloor WC, Spacious Lounge, Two Bedrooms And Shower Room To The First Floor, Master Bedroom And Large Bathroom On The Second Floor, C/Heating & D/Glazing, Garage.	<b>LINDEN LANE, SHORT HEATH</b> Extended Three Bed Semi Comprising Of Entrance Hallway, Lounge, Extended Dining Room, Extended Fitted Kitchen, Groundfloor WC, Large Utility/Shower Room, Three Bedrooms And Family Bathroom. D/Glazing, C/Heating And Enclosed Rear Garden.	<b>FIVE FIELDS ROAD, WILLENHALL</b> Refurbished Three Bed Semi, Two Reception Rooms, Refitted Kitchen With Integrated Appliances, Groundfloor WC, Three Generous Bedrooms, Modern Fitted Bathroom With Separate Shower, D/Glazing, C/Heating Garage, Driveway.	<b>SANDRINGHAM AVE, WILLENHALL</b> Detached House Having Entrance Porch, Entrance Hall, Spacious Lounge, Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Area, Groundfloor WC, Conservatory, Four Generous Bedrooms, Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, Integral Garage, C/Heating, D/Glazing, Garage, Off Road Parking, Rear Garden And Block Paved Driveway.	<b>WOLVERHAMPTON ST, WILLENHALL</b> Deceptively Spacious Four Bed Detached, Two Reception Rooms, Fitted Kitchen, Groundfloor WC, Conservatory, Four Generous Bedrooms, Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, Garage, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Rear Garden And Block Paved Driveway.
£147,500	£147,995	£149,950	£149,995	£154,995	£155,995	£172,000	£174,995
<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>	<b>FOR SALE</b>
<b>DINGLE LANE, WILLENHALL</b> ***OPEN VIEWING***	<b>COPPIE LANE, SHORT HEATH</b> Immaculately Presented Designingly Spacious Detached Bungalow Having Lounge, Large Conservatory, Refitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Landscaped Rear Garden Large Block Paved Driveway.	<b>GIPSY LANE, WILLENHALL</b> Unique Substantial Detached Property, Two Large Reception Rooms, Good Sized Conservatory, Refitted Kitchen, Two Double Bedrooms, Master With En-Suite, Family Bathroom, D/Glazing, C/Heating, Double Glazing, Landscaped Rear Garden.	<b>YALE DRIVE, WEDNESFIELD</b> Four Bedroom Detached, Two Reception Rooms, Breakfast Kitchen, Fitted Bathroom, W/C, En-Suite, Carpet, Superb Landscaped Rear Garden.	<b>AMPLEFORTH DRIVE, WILLENHALL</b> A Detached Four Bedroom With Entrance Hall, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility Area, Separate WC, Lounge, Conservatory, Bathrooms, En-Suite, Garage, Driveway, Rear Garden.	<b>NORTON GREEN LANE, CANNOCK</b> Well Presented Three Bedroom Detached Bungalow Having Lounge, Fitted Breakfast Kitchen, Modern Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room, Conservatory, Bathrooms, En-Suite, Garage, Driveway, Large Frontage.	<b>SNEYD LANE, ESSINGTON</b> Three Bed Detached Property, Two Receptions, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Rooms, Ground Floor WC, Re-Fitted Family Bathroom, Part DG, GCH, Two Garages, Substantial Plot, +Planning And Generous Garden, Private Driveway.	<b>COPPICE OAK, WILLENHALL</b> Five Six Bedroom Executive Detached, Comprising Of Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility, Study (Bedroom 5) Five Bedrooms, En-Suite, Family Bathroom, Also Benefiting From C/Heating/D/Glazing, Double Garage, Driveway And Generous Garden, Private Driveway.
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The Volkswagen Golf VII will offer a choice of four driving modes – Eco, Sport, Normal and Individual

## New generation Golf on the way with big changes

VOLKSWAGEN has revealed details of its all-new seventh-generation Golf, including a new chassis, new engines, new dimensions and a completely revised interior space.

A new Golf is a significant event not just for Volkswagen but for the industry in general. Consumers and other brands alike regard the Golf as the benchmark for C-segment hatchbacks.

It's fair to say that while it looks very little different to the current Golf VI, the Golf VII is changed in almost every other way.

It's 56mm longer, 13mm wider, 28mm lower and up to 100kg lighter, along with a 59mm longer wheelbase for more interior space.

The exterior changes bring a new super-low drag co-efficient of 0.27 Cd,

despite the traditionally aerodynamically harmful hatchback body.

Inside, taller drivers will benefit from front seats that have been moved further back, and yet rear legroom has been increased. Shoulder room has been boosted by around 30mm for both front and rear occupants, endowing the next Golf with a much greater sense of spaciousness.

Boot space rises 30ltr to 380 with the seats upright, while a special optional extra feature will allow the front passenger seat to fold flat, offering a potential 2.4m of interior load space.

Space between the front seats is increased through the use of an electronic parking brake. As a cost option the compartment under the centre armrest can include a universal phone holder with an inductive aerial, which not only increases the signal strength

of a phone placed in it, but also reduces the drain on the phone's battery.

Its intelligent range of engines will include a 138bhp 1.4 petrol with cylinder deactivation technology, where two of the four cylinders shut down combustion at low engine loads to save fuel and achieve a potential 58.9mpg with 112g/km of CO<sub>2</sub>.

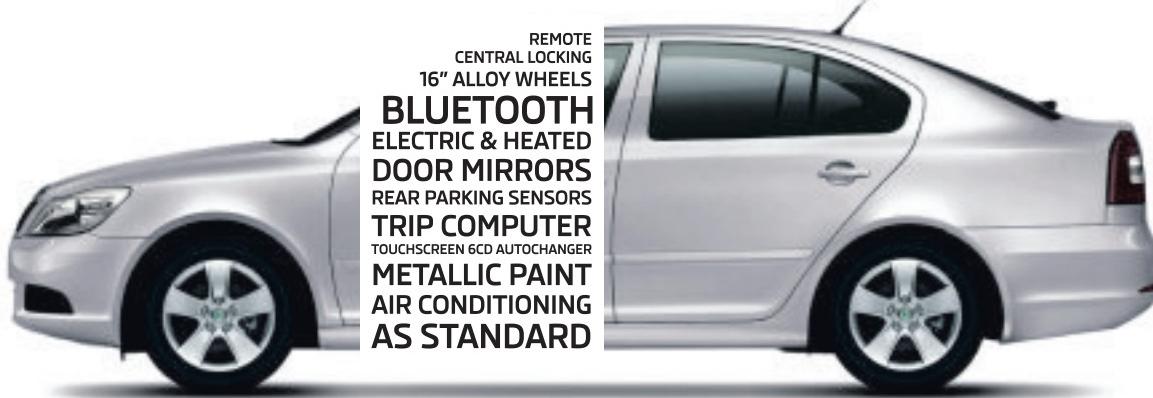
A 1.6-litre 104bhp diesel achieves 99g/km of CO<sub>2</sub> with up to 74.3mpg, and a 2.0-litre 148bhp option records a remarkable 106g/km and 68.9mpg.

A first for the Golf is a choice of four driving modes. Eco, Sport, Normal and Individual partly echo the choice available on cars from VW's subsidiary Audi.

Further details will be announced at the Paris Motor Show later this month.

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The Mazda MX-5 GT4, built by Jota Sport, will cost £125,000 and is now available to order for 2013

## Building cars to order after success in championship

MAZDA is building on the success of its MX-5 GT4 race car in the Avon Tyres British GT Championship by building customer MX-5 GT4 race cars to order for the 2013 season.

Earlier this month at Snetterton, the Mazda MX-5 GT4 finished on the podium again with a second place, demonstrating that this car is a real title contender.

Built by Jota Sport, the Mazda MX-5 GT4, weighing in at 1,000kg, will cost £125,000, excluding VAT, and is now available to order for the 2013 season.

The car will benefit from further development during 2012 and will be a fully homologated car for GT4 racing.

Powered by an MZR two-litre turbo unit, the MX-5 GT4 produces 320bhp and will come ready to race.

The Mazda MX-5 GT4 features a fully prepared shell with FIA spec roll cage, carbon fibre doors, front splitter, rear diffuser and rear wing as standard.

### Gearbox

Inside, the MX-5 GT4 has a carbon fibre dash and centre console, Pi Omega D2 display and data logger and a six-speed sequential gearbox with paddle shift as standard.

The Mazda MX-5 GT4 will be eligible for numerous domestic and continental GT & GT4 championships throughout the world.

Sam Hignett, managing director of

Jota Group, says: "We have spent the season getting the car to the front of the field."

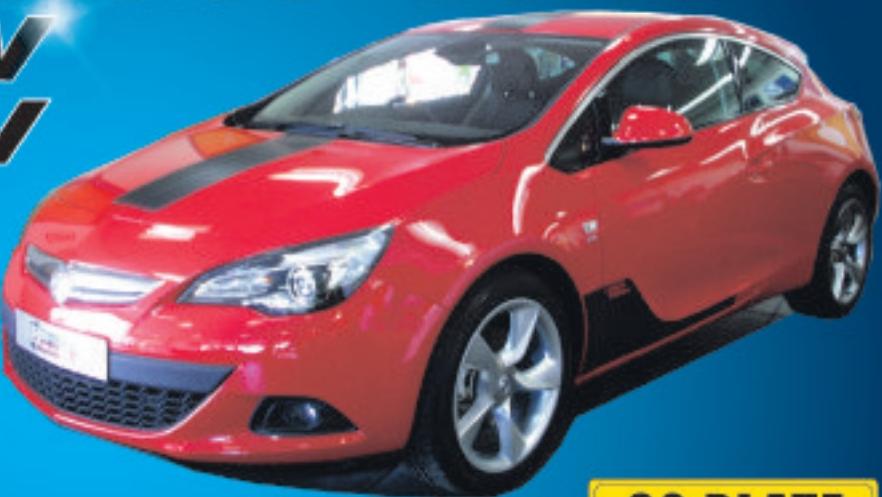
"We started from the base of last year's GT car and set ourselves the aim of finishing the 2012 season with a car that would be competitive in GT4."

"At this stage in the season we are very pleased with the progress and believe any team buying the MX-5 GT4 will have a potential winner ready to race."

"The car is an easy car to race and would even suit track day enthusiasts. We are still developing the car, but we are now at a point that we can offer this car to customers safe in the knowledge that it is going to be a front runner in any GT4 field."

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The Aston Martin Vanquish is on a nationwide tour of the luxury brand's 21 dealerships

## Vanquish super GT is on a whistle-stop tour

THE new Aston Martin Vanquish super GT is hitting the road in the UK this week as it embarks on an ambitious whistle-stop tour of the luxury brand's 21 dealerships nationwide.

The exceptional sports car, an impressive new halo for the Aston Martin range, left the brand's global HQ at Gaydon in Warwickshire bound for the recently redeveloped Aston Martin Works dealership in nearby Newport Pagnell, Buckinghamshire, and its first stop.

Aston fans keen to catch a glimpse of the new £190,000 super GT actually on the road will have to wait a little longer,

though, as the display car touring dealerships is travelling from city to city in a specially-created truck complete with chauffeured truck, of course.

Those lucky enough to see the Vanquish during its tour will preview a new Aston Martin featuring the next

exclusive Aston Martin Vanquish branding.

The brief tour, which includes exclusive invitation-only customer preview events at Aston Martin dealerships around the country where guests have the chance to see the Vanquish close up, discuss its many technical and styling highlights and place an order for the new car, comes just ahead of the car's global media launch which takes place within weeks.

Visiting dealerships as far afield as Edinburgh to the north and Jersey in the south, the whirlwind tour takes place over just 26 days and will see the new super GT clock up thousands of miles on UK roads – in its bespoke chauffeured truck, of course.

Meanwhile the new car's stunning design represents the latest take on Aston Martin's iconic visual language. Priced from £189,995 RRP, first deliveries of the Vanquish will begin in the UK late in 2012.

ecture as well as the new AM11 6.0-litre V12 engine that is considerably more potent than before.

With 573PS available at 6,750rpm, 620Nm of torque at 5,500rpm, a 0-62mph time of 4.1 seconds and a top speed of 183mph the Vanquish is, clearly, a fully paid-up member of the supercar club.

Yet as well as more power and performance, the Vanquish is also a practical grand tourer. Improvements such as a newly-designed and significantly more spacious cabin and a boot that, at 368 litres, is more than 60 per cent larger than that of the DBS, see to that.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport has made an Order on the M6 Motorway in the County of Staffordshire to allow resurfacing work to be carried out.

The effect of the Order will be to close the slip roads leading -

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- ii) from the northbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 11;
- iii) to the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 11;
- iv) from the southbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 11.

Staffordshire County Council will be carrying out the resurfacing work on the circulatory carriageway of the M6 Junction 11 roundabout overnight between 20:00 hours and 06:00 hours. The work is expected to start on Saturday 29 September 2012 and continue for approximately two weeks. The Order will come into force on 29 September 2012.

Vehicles being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance purposes or by a traffic officer will be exempt from the closures. Diversion routes via M6 Junction 12, A5, A4601 and A460 (for northbound traffic) and vice versa (for southbound traffic), will be well signed.

For further information, please contact Oiminder Bhanji on 0121 678 8182.

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The effect of the Order will be to close the link road leading from the northbound carriageway of the M6 at Junction 10a to the westbound carriageway of the M54.

Work will be carried out overnight between 22:00 hours and 06:00 hours and is expected to start on Monday 15 October 2012 and last for 2 weeks. The Order will come into force on 8 October 2012.

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## Grant hits winner in tight game

### Rushall Olympic 1 Frickley Athletic 0

GRANT BECKETT was the hero for Rushall Olympic as they grabbed a narrow victory against Frickley Athletic at Dales Lane to ensure that they reclaimed top-spot in the Evo-Stik League Premier Division table.

The midfielder met a cross at the far post to lash home the only goal midway through the second period.

But Pits' win was soured by the first-half sending-off of striker Dave Walker.

During the early exchanges Rushall still appeared to be suffering from a hangover, courtesy of the previous weekend's shock FA Cup exit at the hands of minnows Bridgnorth Town, handing the initiative to a Frickley outfit with only a single point to their name and languishing in 20th position in the league standings.

**Olympic:** Gemmill, Naylor, Haynes, Tolley (spitite 46), Caines, Beckett, Craddock (Academy 1), Hayes 81, Gomes (Islam 57), Clarke, Walker, Brown.

## Football results

### Lichfield and Walsall District

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## Diamonds in sparkling form

### AFC Phoenix U15 0

### Lichfield Diamonds U15 7

IT was always going to be a difficult opening game of the season for a new-look Phoenix girls team against the league-winning Diamonds.

They coped well against superior opposition for the opening 20 minutes of each half, Emily Yate impressing.

But they eventually succumbed to a Diamonds squad with too much experience and quality for the Phoenix newbies.



Martin Gethin gets set for an unexpected trip

## Home to away for Gethin tussle

by Craig Birch

WALSALL'S Martin Gethin will have to travel to London to take part in his world-ranked rumble with Carl Johansson tomorrow night.

The fight, for a place in the IBF's top 50 and the organisation's International lightweight title, will see Gethin go up against Leeds' Johansson.

But the contest will now take place at the Hilton Hotel in Mayfair, rather than the planned venue of Walsall Town Hall.

Gethin's main sponsor withdrew backing, leaving the fight in jeopardy, before an offer came to stage the bout in the capital on the same night.

However, the bill in Walsall will go ahead as planned without Gethin, who will be dis-

appointed not to be boxing at home.

Months of hard work have led to tomorrow's fight night but Gethin has spent most of that time training at his amateur club.

Wild Star ABC, based in Unit 6 on the Middlemore Business Park, Aldridge, has been the focus for the 28-year-old since the turn of the year.

Brothers Darren, Steve and Rob Gethin have made it a family affair on the coaching staff and all have been lacing on gloves for most of their lives.

They all boxed for Walsall Wood ABC before moving on to Wednesbury ABC,

where Martin had his first fight after turning 11.

Three of them turned pro and Darren won a Midlands title at welterweight, while Martin has twice been the English lightweight champion.

He said: "I wanted to set my own gym up and I enjoy it. The more kids we can get into the gym and off the streets, the better."

"Our Darren was the first of us brothers to take up boxing and Steve, Rob and myself all followed. I was the only one that didn't box for Walsall Wood - I was too young - but we all went to Wednesbury."

"I had my first fight the day after my 11th birthday and never looked back; that's what the sport can do for you."

# Wonder goals send Saddlers to victory

### Portsmouth 1 Walsall 2

WALSALL struck a blow for all those clubs who live within their means with a handsome victory over crisis-riddled Portsmouth.

Two years ago, these sides were separated by two divisions and several digits on the pay roll, writes Martin Swain.

Yet, as Pompey's coach Michael Appleton conceded, his team were outplayed and out-worked in baking sunshine if ultimately only defeated by a couple of strikes which are already in the Saddlers' Goal of the Season competition.

James Baxendale, with his first for the club, and Florent Cuvelier were the headline makers but there is now real excitement running through Dean Smith's camp.

Last night, they were facing a trip to Stevenage – perhaps the acid test of Smith's admirable attempt to fashion a team of some style from the youthful talent and energy orbiting the core of the side, Andy Butler and Dean Holden.

But what will be satisfying for the Walsall boss will be knowing that his players beat Portsmouth – fresh from their first two wins of the season – with room for improvement.

Moments of carelessness when in good possession, little outbreaks of sloppy defending, the odd wrong decision as they burst away on the counter-attack are all components Smith and Richard O'Kelly can get their teeth into during training.

O'Kelly's presence alongside the manager in the technical area these days is not without significance. These Saddlers bear all the hallmarks of the Alan Buckley and Sean O'Driscoll teams with which their former coach is associated, teams which produced a willingness to get back to his defensive station in front of full-back Ben Purkiss.

The breakthrough was provided by two players experiencing quieter games. Ashley Hemmings finally eluded Mustapha Dumbaya's attentions in a tangle of arms and legs on the left touchline and squared a pass to the unmarked Baxendale 25 yards out.

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Florent Cuvelier celebrates after his fizzing shot made it 2-0 to the Saddlers

fashioning the better chances. Jamie Paterson and George Bowerman were not able to take them but both registered fine performances, Bowerman in that thankless task as the lone central striker while Paterson took the Man of the Match award for another contribution of touch and creativity allied to a willingness to get back to his defensive station in front of full-back Ben Purkiss.

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him. If that was a peach, what followed was arguably better.

Bowerman's relentless toil and persistence earned Walsall a free-kick eight

minutes later which Pompey only half-cleared to the lurking Cuvelier, playing

against his former club. He had endured a frustrating afternoon with some wayward

and ambitious shooting from range.

But this left-footer fizzed through a star-tired defence and caught an unsighted Anderson rooted to the spot.

There was time for Walsall to make life uncomfortable when three times they declined to clear a 70th-minute corner which enabled Izale McLeod the chance to launch a revival. But it never materialised and the match closed with Paterson smashing the bar with an even longer-range effort before Walsall celebrated with their travelling fans.

And rightly so!

### Sub sees red and so do management

#### Willenhall Town 0 Dudley Sports 4

WILLENHALL substitute Josh Edwards and their entire management team were sent off as both benches became involved in a heated exchange.

But the unsavoury scenes did not take the gloss off Dudley's performance, which included three wonder goals.

Both teams tried to play decent football in this West Midlands Regional Premier clash.

Sports hit the post and bar and forced a couple of good saves when they had to thank their keeper for denying Jan Trapszo, whose flying header was superbly tipped round the post and Reece Leek, who had forced a fine tip-over.

Sports made the breakthrough three minutes from the break when Jack Moor was in the right place to fire home after a defensive slip.

The Lockmen were denied a penalty when a defensive hand appeared to catch the ball.

Sports' Luke Williams hit a shot from 35 yards that took a nasty bounce to deceive Jordan Ellis and stretch the lead on 52 minutes.

Williams did it again 15 minutes from time when his rocket shot dipped right into the top corner. Edwards then saw another effort blocked on the line before Craig Stevens' stunning lob wrapped up the scoring on 87 minutes.

There was time for Edwards to be dismissed as arguments broke out.

## Aldridge caught napping too often

### Rugley 18 Aldridge 10

IT WAS one of those encounters which may come back to haunt Aldridge later in the Midlands Five (North) season.

The visitors appeared capable of comfortably matching the opposition so it was a bit of a puzzle that they found themselves 18 points adrift as they approached half-time.

They were behind by two tries, a conversion and a couple of penalties after being caught napping on a couple of occasions by Rugley's pace out wide.

After forward pressure and a few darts for the line, lock Eddie O'Neill crashed over three minutes before the break. Chris Jones converted.

The breeze gave Aldridge plenty of advantage in the second half and they kept Rugley penned within their territory for the rest of the match. But they failed to translate this supremacy into points.

Chris Jones slotted a penalty to reduce the deficit, but a couple of other kickable penalties were surprisingly run and without support, these chances also went begging as the game petered out.

## Lights out for Star's cup hopes

### Southam Utd 4

### Continental Star 3

CONTINENTAL Star bowed out of the FA Vase after a red card and defensive errors proved costly in their second qualifying round game at Midland Combination Premier Division side Southam United.

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Southam found a way back in the second half with goals from Pawel Tomczak and Simeon Smith before Star defender Natty Brown was red-carded on 80 minutes for handball to deny a scoring opportunity. Brad Rees netted the penalty.

Lee Thomas tapped in 4-2. But two minutes later, substitute Shane Paul gave Star hope with a superb strike – but it was too late.

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## Mighty Massey makes his mark

### Walsall 16 Lichfield 23

WALSALL failed to turn their occasional domination into victory and always found it difficult to break the Lichfield defence.

But the visitors were also keen to use their speedy backs at every opportunity and in full-back Greg Massey they had a player who caused panic whenever he was in possession.

Walsall took an early lead through outside-half Matty Wood's fine penalty kick. He nearly doubled the score two minutes later, but he was just inches wide from 50 metres.

The young outside-half had an unlucky afternoon with his kicking, hitting an upright once and having three others just sailing wide of the target.

A rare piece of possession saw Massey run through the home defence from 40 metres out for Lichfield's opening try.

Then winger Josh Massey raced over for a try near the corner, and then step up and put over the conversion.

Walsall continued to dominate. Wood converted a penalty before a classic catch and drive from a lineout saw the Walsall pack cover 20 metres before hooker Dan Clarke the touched down.

In the second half Walsall's Rod Dickson forced his way over the line. A wayward clearance kick was caught by Massey. Another defence-splitting run saw him touch down. A penalty by his brother Josh saw Lichfield establish a 20-16 advantage before Massey kicked another penalty.

## Invitation to play hockey

FANCY trying a new sport? Bloxwich Hockey Club are holding an open day.

It's a chance to make new friends and be part of a team at a family-oriented sports club with four men's and four women's teams as well as a growing junior section.

Games are on Saturdays and training is on Tuesday evenings until April.

The open day is this Saturday from 1pm. Alternatively, visit any Tuesday at 7pm. Go to Sneyd School Vernon Way, Bloxwich, WS3 2PA. Junior training starts on Sunday, October 7 from 11am to noon.

For further information, contact info@bloxwichhockey.co.uk or visit www.bloxwichhockey.co.uk

### Whitehurst on target

#### Wolverhampton Casuals 2 Sporting Khalsa 1

KHALSA fought back from a goal down but could not find an equaliser in this West Midlands Premier match. Mark Bellingham put Casuals on the way and they added a second goal after 65 minutes.

Sam Whitehurst slotted home five minutes later, but it was not enough.



Darts stars, from left, Andy Smith, Peter Manley, Wayne Mardle and Terry Jenkins

## All change

Big fight moved to the capital

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## Fab Flo

Cuvelier strikes to stun Pompey

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## Dart stars saddle up for exhibition show

DARTS stars put on a show at Walsall Football Club as four of the PDC's finest stepped up to the oche at the Saddlers' Supporters Club. Terry 'the Bull' Jenkins, Andy 'Pie' Man, Smith, Peter 'One Dart' Manley and Wayne 'Hawaii 5-0' Mardle staged an exhibition at the club.

Jenkins and Smith are in the world's top 20 and 'the Bull' is currently eighth in the PDC Order of Merit, with Manley and Mardle now retired. Manley reached three World Championship finals while Mardle, four times a semi-finalist, is now the voice of PDC events as a commentator for Sky Sports. The darts stars also met Walsall manager Dean Smith, whose side went on to win 2-1 at Portsmouth in League One at the weekend.

## Cameron expected to Cope with test

BROWNHILLS pupil Cameron Cope is preparing for a major international Australian Rules Football tournament.

The Brownhills School sixth-former, who plays for Wolverhampton Wolverines, is in the England squad for the 16-team Euro Cup at Edinburgh on Saturday.

And Ian Mitchell, who runs the Wolverines and is also a PE teacher at Brownhills, expects the teenager to do well.

"He is just a natural athlete," said Mitchell. "I'm told he owns the school 400m record; he plays badminton and soccer too."

"He has won the Rules' Rising Star award for his performances throughout the season."

"A lot of people have talked to the England management and said they should have a look at him."

### Hosts

"He played for England in their Tri-Nations matches with Scotland and Wales in Cardiff and didn't look out of his depth."

England won all four Tri-Nations encounters, but face a stiff test at the University of Edinburgh this weekend.

They have been drawn in a group against the hosts, Norway and Denmark.

England are ranked third in the tournament, behind Croatia and Ireland, but Mitchell urges caution on the Dames.

"They came second in the Euro Cup a couple of years ago," he said. "They have got a big push on for young players in that country at the moment."

Cope is one of a number of Brownhills players with the Wolverines.

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# GOLFERS GO UNDER PAR TO WIN CROWN

THREE Walsall golfers have combined to claim a national title.

All three shot sub-par scores to take the English Champion Club crown at Stoneham Golf Club, near Southampton. Lewis Pearce fired a four-under-par 68 while brothers Freddie and Henry Sheridan-Mills carded 71 and 70 respectively. That gave them a second-day tally of 209 and an overall aggregate of 425 – seven under par – to win by three shots over a team from Farrington, Somerset.

Victory took the title to Staffordshire for the first time in 21 years, following Trentham's success in 1991 – before the Sheridan-Mills brothers were born.

"We felt we had a good chance of winning because Stoneham is a similar course to Walsall and it suited our games," said Freddie Sheridan-Mills.

"We knew that if we played to form, we could pick up a few birdies – and we did."

"We have won regional events, but to win a national title is great."

"It also tops the year off nicely."

### Great

Pearce, Walsall's hero of the day, added: "After the first day, we knew that if we could all shoot under par we would be thereabouts."

"I think we were unlucky not to have six rounds under par. I had 75 (on the first day), so I suppose I let the team down."

"It's great to win something when you are representing your county," he added.

"And when you win an England Golf event, you've reached a higher category of player."

The three now qualify to represent England in the European Champion Club Tournament in the sunshine of Cyprus next month.

## Title delight as skipper hits the winning runs



Trophy time as Walsall's cricketers celebrate their Birmingham League Premier triumph. Picture: Colin Moss

WALSALL wrapped up the Birmingham League cricket title on a dramatic final day of action.

David Powles' side defeated Brockhampton in their final game to celebrate the title after picking up the two bonus points needed to confirm top spot. After Powles won the toss, Walsall quickly took the five wickets

they needed to earn those two points. They went on to win their final game by six wickets with Paul Wicker claiming 4-30 and James Middleton making 60 before Powles hit the winning runs.

Himley, who started the day with a mathematical chance of the title, ended with a losing draw against Knowle & Dorridge despite 3-36 by (40) helping Wolverhampton to 244.

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